THE TIMES Five soldiers killed as IRA launches Christmas offensive

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Many years of terror threatened

The Provisional IRA yester-launched a Christmas ensive with two devastating the explosions which killed e solders. The Provisionals d there would never again a Christmas ceasefire. our young soldiers who came Northern Ireland two weeks died when a big landmine loded under their Landwer near Dungannon, co one. As the vehicle was ig into the air, landing eral yards away, 20 shots n high velocity rifles were id at another Army Lander and the sold at another Army Lander

it was not hit. he four occupants fired k, but do not think they hir body. It was all over in less

ed at another Army Land-er a short distance in front,

he soldiers were on pairol the main road from Dun-non to Ballygawley, which s through rolling hills and are a ponoramic view to gunman in ambush in the tryside. It is about 25 miles n the border. he four murdered men, all.

Artillery.

The Provisional IRA in co
Tyrone, chaiming responsibility
for the killings, gave a warning
to civilians to keep clear of
military vehicles. On two previous occasions they had not
triggered the bomb because
civilian vehicles were too close,
it was said.

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In the other incident a bomb exploded at 5 pm in a derelier farmhouse at Tullydonnel, a village in the sparsely populated bandir country of South Armagh, about half a mile from the border. A soldier from the 2nd Battalion, The Parachure Regiment died and another was Regiment, died and another was

The IRA said that the house was used by the Army to watch a border crossing. The bomb was wire detonated 100 yards from the house, and an Army helicopter ere wrained a powerful searchight over the area last night in the hint for the killers. A former member of the Ulster Defence Regiment was shot dead in from of his son aged 13 in Omagh, to Tyrone, last night. He was driving a fish and chip van on a housing estate and stopped for a customer, who drew a gun and shot him several times at close range.

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have conditioned our people to think in terms of a long struggle. We don't speculate how long it will take

Army speculation is that the IRA is planning a campaign lasting from seven to 10 years. In the past 10 years 118 IRA volunteers had been killed the

rolunteers had been killed, the IRA source said.

Returning to the Pope he added: "In all conscience we believe that we are morally right, we are fighting a just war, and the Pope asked us to surrender. He showed bias in other ways. He did not mention H Block yet the first thing he mentioned when he arrived in New York was that there must never be another Auschwitz". (H-Block is the maximum security wing of the Maze prison where IRA captives are holding a protest about their non-political status).

He firmly ruled out any hope of peace until the British left Ireland.

He described Mr Charles

He described Mr Charles Haughey, the new Prime Minister of the Irish Republic,

Minister of the Irish Republic, as "no IRA supporter".

Killings condemned: Mr Hanghey yesterday condemned the killing of the British soldiers by a landmine in co Tyrone (our Dublin Correspondent writes). He said: "It is tragic that these men should lose their lives in such circumstances. Their deaths reproach us all. I condemn this letest atrocity and extend my sympathy to all the members of their families.

"It is essential that these recurring acts of violence should not deflect us from the purpose of finding a new way forward which will bring peace and justice to all the people of Northern Ireland."

Atkins Hume accord, page 2 after Christmas.

The deposed Shah of Iran and his wife on the Panamanian island of Contadora.

Some hostages 'may be free by Christmas'

From Patrick Brogan Washington, Dec 16

The American hostages in Tehran will not be tried, the Iranian Foreign Minister said

Iranian Foreign Minister said today.

Mr Sadegh Qotbzadeh, who was speaking in a television interview transmitted by satellite, said the hostages would appear as witnesses, not defendants, at the international tribunal which he intended to set up to investigate the Shah's alleged crimes. Furthermore, he would try to have some of the hostages released before Christmas.

He said that an international delegation would not be allowed to visit the hostages. Instead, Protestant and Catholic clergy-men would be allowed to conduct church services for them on Christmas Day and would then be able to see all the hos-

Mr Qothzadeh, according to news agancy reports, said in Tehran today that the hostages would be tried immediately

evidence of the difficulty the American Government has in dealing with the Iranians.
Foreign ministers are frequently contradicted by the students holding the embassy, who as frequently contradict each other. Even senior revolu-tionaries such as foreign ministers contradict themselves on

the same day.

Mr Qotbzadeh said that the Shah's departure for Panama was a victory for the Iranian He went on to say: "Now that the Shah has been kicked out of the United States, there are some other things that should be cleared up before the ques-tion of the hostages is entirely resolved."

resolved. Asked about a trial he replied: "At this time no trial will go on, and what is going

to happen is a grand jury inves-tigation of the Shah's crimes and American foreign policy here. That we decided and we will go on with it."

Later, asked whether he

to come to that conclusion. The weeks, I am hopeful they will come to some agreement. First of all, the wealth of the Shah should be returned to Iran, the international tribunal . . . should try the crimes which have been committed in

Asked about the ruling of the Hague court, he said that its proposal to hear Iran's complaints against the Shah and America after the hostages' release was "absolutely ridicul-

The Shah was flown to Ponama yesterday by the United States Air Force. He had been staying at a hospital at an Air Force base near San Antonio, Texas, since December 2, when he had left New York after treatment for cancer.

The sanctuary for him in Panama was arranged with the assistance of General Omar Tor-

By Our Political Reporter

Mrs Margaret Thatcher is

expected to tell MPs in a parlia-

mentary written reply today that the case of Mr Winston

Churchill, Conservative MP for

Stretford, will not be referred

The written reply will be in

answer to Mr James Well-beloved, Labour MP for Bexley,

Erith and Crayford, and a for-mer Labour junior Defence Minister, who asked in a

priority written question whether the Prime Minister

would refer to the Security Commission the evidence given

by Mrs Soraya Khashoggi about

her relationship with a poli-tician involved in defence

Thatcher

US begins

visit to

to the Security Commission.

Churchill case not

seen as security risk

The Shah has been given the to Washington on Contadors, one of the pearl islands off the Pacific coast. The house will be guarded by his own security men, and the Panamanian Navy will protect the island.

Contadora Island, Dec 16.— The Shah, with his former Empress at his side spoke briefly after his arrival in Con-Speaking in English, he said

he hoped he could share the culture and civilization of the country which had offered him

Mr Robert Armao, his personal secretary, said he did not know how long the Shah would spend here. He needs rest and sun and good food during his convalescence. Maybe later he will risk other payes of the he will visit other parts of the country." - Agence France-

Since the tabling of the question Mr Churchill, who was

a junior Opposition spokesman

on defence until last year, has admitted that he was the Mr X

The Prime Minister is ex-

pected to state that there was

no question of security involved.
Resignation call: Mr Dennis
Canavan, Labour MP for Stirlingshire, West, has called on
Mr Churchill to resign his par-

liamentary seat (the Press Association reports). Mr Cana-

van said it would be the honour-

However, he added that he would be satisfied with the

able thing to do.

whom Mrs Khashoggi,

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Dead Sea power goes live for Israel

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From Christopher Walker En Bokek, Dead Sea, Dec 16 Using a blend of sun, salt, water and sophisticated technology, the Israelis have developed a revolutionary source of energy which the Government believes will significantly reduce its crippling

ficantly reduce its crippling dependence on imported oil by the turn of the century.

Soon after sunset tonight, a solar power station was switched on here close to the Dead Sea. Still in an experimental stage, it generates 150 kw of electricity or enough to supply the needs of 30 families.

Developed over the past 20 years, the mini power station is run by combining two 15-zeli inventions: a pond of dense

inventions: a pond of dense salty water that generates thermal energy and a turbine that responds to low energy

By developing the process and using 400 square kilometres of the Dead Sea, Israeli experts maintain that by the turn of the century they will be able to provide 2,000 MW of electricity by the method. This is equiva-lent to the whole of Israel's

present energy needs.

Mr Yigzhak Modai, the
Israeli Energy Minister, presided over touight's ceremony
which he described as a breakthrough in attempts to solve

through in attempts to solve the world's energy crisis.

"We are not talking about the supply of any commodity", he said, "but one which can provide an alternative to oil, something being used by ter-tain countries to try to wreck the economies of others". He estimated that the present cost of solar-produced energy was equivalent to that from a hydroquivalent to that from a bydro-

electric plant.

Ironically, tonight's longplanned ceremony came only
hours after Israel radio reported that the country's uil and
perrol prices will increase by 40 per cent at the end of this month. It came less than four weeks after the handback to Egypt of Israel's only viable oilfield.

Although the 150 kW genora-

tor at En Bokek is still experi-mental, it is part of a care-fully planned programme which is geared in stages towards the year 2000. The next develop-ment will come in 1981 when a 5,000 kW power station will be operational and producing commercial electricity.

but in layman's terms relies on the harnessing of heat trapped between two layers of water of different salinity. The ther-

mal energy produced is then used to power the turbine.

Although the brackish Dead Sea water provides the perfect claimed that it can be developed for use in any part of the world where sufficient sun, water and land space—the salt being added artificially if necessary.

when giving evidence in a re-cent trial at the Central Criminal Court, said she had had an intimate relationship. Iraq hangs four for spying

Baghdad Dec 16.—Four Iraqis were banged and two others were sentenced to life imprison-ment today after being found guilty of receiving bribes from foreign companies and provid-ing them with classified informanon. Two of those hanged were

officials at the Ministry of Irrigation. The foreign compromise of a thorough inquiry. panies were not named.-UPI.

British formula brings hope of final Rhodesia accord David Spanier return, from Washington on plan was that the proposed lomatic Correspondent return, from Washington on plan was that the proposed position in the contacts this United States to end sanctions past weekend. It was being emphasised in Western Europe, are pointers to international last night that the surface of a final agree of international last night has the last shot in the British and the Patriotic return, from Washington on plan was that the proposed position in the contacts this United States to end sanctions past weekend. It was being emphasised in Western Europe, are pointers to international additional essembly area was the last shot in the British initialised the document, but the demand for 31 areas, there was Front still rejects the ceasefire return.

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falls far short of the guestillas' demand for 31 areas, there was strong hope in Whitehall last hight that they might accept A further inducement of a more general kind was Lord Carrington's offer, made in the final session of the conference, that if their forces assembled in numbers greater than can be dealt with at the assembly place designated, the Governor would

sites. The military men of both sides were examining this pro-

proposals, that will be the end the negotiations. The gueritlas are, however,

coming under strong pressure to settle from their own sup-porters in the front line states, and despite much hot talk from their spokesmen in London about fighting to the finish in Rhodesia, it is clear that every-one concerned is in reality longing for a poaceful serrle-ment. The decision by the

conciliatory note in a broadcast yesterday when he said there could possibly be agreement in the next few days, and that the only bitch was the location of the Patriotic Front forces.

I ast night, a Patriotic Front spokesman told The Times: shall succeed. Everybody thinks it is absurd to break at this stage, when we are so close to agreement Salisbury optimism, page 5

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Permission expected for first US-type reactor

A statement giving permission for the first nuclear power station in Britain to be based on the American type of pressurized water reactor is expected in the Commons comorrow. But extensive modifications will have to be made to the controversial reactor before it can be used

PLO men murdered

Allegations that the Israelis were responsible for the killing in Nicosia of two Palestine Liberation Organization officials were made when the bodies of the two men were flown to Beirut. The coffins, wrapped in Palestinian flags, were met by hundreds of uniformed guerrillas

Action against terrorism

Strong measures against terrorism come into force in Italy today. They provide for life imprisonment without parole for terrorist killings and the murder of judges and police officers. Penalties for woundings are doubled if the crime is committed by terrorists Page 4

Storm havoc at sea

A freighter was wrecked in a Cornish cove. a fishing hoat was presumed lost off Shetland with a crew of seven and a small boat with two on board was missing off the west coast of Scotland in stormy weather

School equipment: Head teachers have been advised by their union to reject fund-raising schemes for equipment lost through public spending cuts

Kampuchea: Defector says he is convinced the Vietnamese want to conquer the country 6

Day of doubt in Tube strike threat

Commuters and Christmas shoppers could face severe disruption on London's Under-ground today from an unofficial one-day strike by train drivers over back pay.

The strike leaders say their action is supported by drivers

from at least nine depots, with the possibility of support from It was not clear yesterday

bow many Tube workers would join the strike and how many would need an appeal to work normally by Mr Ray Buckton, general secretary of the Asso-ciated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen. Lines that could be affected include the Jubilee, Bakerloo. Piccadilly, Northern and Circle.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher left London by air yesterday for a two-day visit to the United States into which she has packed a gruelling programme of political and social events. It is her first visit to the United States since taking office. The Prime Minister, who is accompanied by Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, will find the United States wholly in 1862 18-2 gel. preoccupied by the plight of its hostages in Tehran. This will 1330 dominate her talks this morn-ing with President Carter at the White House. The two-hour talks will also cover a wide range of subjects including Northern Ireland The two leaders will also discuss economic and military questions, relations with the Soviet block energy, Southern Rhodesia, and the EEC. from the Mrs Thatcher will have talks at the Pentagon, with the Federal Reserve Board, and at the headquarters of Exxon Garrard gifts catalogue Chemicals. Leading article, page 13 a copy is yours just for the asking Farrings in 184 cold Broceric with advased pearly (,75 13.4 gylá [405 December Saturday, open 8 \$ 22.0 to 1pm 15 Namispm, 1 log 5 Monay Brandship tha gold The Crown Jewellers

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teel strike looks certain fter talks over cash nd redundancies collapse Paul Routledge

national strike in the steel watry early next year looks with the oreakdown talks between the Traks
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of redundancies and the Bri Steel Corporation's cash

ir Keith Joseph, Seintary of te for Industry, has seclined Om ceiling on borrowing set the industry next year, and executive of the Iron and cl Trades Confederation TC) is expected to confirm strike call to 90,000 BSC em-

vees in two days' time.

n indication of how wide is gulf between the Cabinet the unions came at the e of talks with the Industry retary on Saturday, when Mr.
Murray, general secretary
the TUC, is understood to
c told Sir Keith; "Talking you is like trying to teach nose to a deaf-mute.

fr William Sirs, general retary of the ISTC, is in tembourg on EEC business ay and tomorrow. He will European metal unions not tomers normally supplied by nned on January Z.

'he steel workers' executive on Thursday there will be reeting of the confederation's nember central negotiating imittee. Both groups are exted to reaffirm the shutdown truction sent our after Bri-Steel refused to improve per cent offer.

eelings in the industry are dering after the collapse of political initiative launched the TUC Steel Industry politice to change the minds high the Government and tish Steel over the corporai's plan in cut 52,000 jobs If year and bring down the ustry's manufacturing capato 15 million tornes a year. fr Sirs said yesterday: "I the unions case to Sir its, pointing out that this down was harmful to the ustry occause we would not

needs for seed in the future.

Even he admixted there might be a need for steel imports in the short term—but this "short-term" decision of the corporation to cut plant capacity is going to be long-

"Sir Keith is prepared to accept that the county will have to import steel. He wants to opt out completely from the industrial scene, but at the same time he is putting a cash barrier on BSC."

The Industry Secretary told the unions that closures were "a matter for the corporation", and indicated that redundancy payments for steelworkers who lose their jobs would have to come out of the £450m cash limit available to the industry

next year.
"This is a scandalous state of effairs", Mr Sirs said. "That money could be used to keep jobs and keep the industry going until the market picks up The union side also argued

against mass redundancies on the grounds that huge social-security payments would follow and the impact on other indusand the impact on other thouseries, coal-mining, steel plansmaking, electronics, and other industries, would be disastrons.

"It did not make any difference wharsoever", Mr Sirs said, "We did not get anywhere with him. You are just

wasting your time talking to a. Conservative minister." The TUC steel committee will

compile a report on the indus-try's crisis to the routine monthly meeting of the TUC general-council on Wednesday, but little in the way of action is likely to be decided then. The buck is almost certain to be passed back to the seel

committee several prominent members of which were absent from the talks with the Industry Secretary.
With the Christmas and new vest holiday period intervening, it now looks as though the ISTC will be out on its own, with only the railwaymen supporting the strike by refusing to trans-port iron ore or steel products by rail during the industry's

able to supply the country's ... Continued on page 17, col 2

Price rise causes **Opec confusion**

Exporting Countries into confusion by increasing the price of its crude oil by \$4 a barrel on ing the price of its crude oil by \$4 a barrel on the eve of today's price-fixing meeting in Caracas, Venezuela. It now appears that the attempt by Opec moderates, led by Saudi Arabia, to bring a single price structure back to world oil markets must have a much slimmer chance of success. The price rise is important to Britain in that the Libyan crude is of the same quality as the oil in the North Sea, and has always been sold at a premium Page 17

NHS pays German bill

A National Health Service patient has won a sixmonth battle to have a hip operation in a West German clinic at a cost to the service of £4,000, about twice the cost of a similar opera-tion in a London teaching hospital Page 3

Hovercraft bid talks At least three groups are considering a bid for

a combined Seaspeed Hoversloyd cross-Channel hovercraft operation. Talks are taking place with Hoversloyd. The Government is thought to favour a move involving denationalization of the loss-making British Rail subsidiary. Page 3

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Union leaders are to demand a Labour Party commitment to repeal the Employment Bill, being introduced by the Government. Mr David Basness, chairman of the TUC economic committee, said that the Bill was "the beginning of a series of legislative shackles" Page 2

art books, including a lavish work on Edvard Munch; Stanley Sadre and Paul Griffiths review final offerings of Welsh National Opera's visit, to London; William Mann on Covern Garden's revived Letters: On change in writ of summons, from the Lord Chan-cellor; on British Steel closures, from Dr R. A. Bryer, and Mr T. J. Brignall, and Mr R. Man-field Christmas Fledermaus

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Extensive modifications will be needed to US-type reactor before it can be used in Britain

Extensive changes will have to be made to the controversial American type of pressurized deficiency of the American water reactor if it is to be used system.

Although a statement expected in the Commons tomorrow will give permission for the first nuclear power station in Britain, at Sizewell, Norfolk, to be based on that reactor, the Nuclear Installations Inspectorate will be in no position to issue a licence

for its operation without the modifications.

That is clear from a report to the Government of an investigation that started three years

A 100-page executive sum analysis of operations (like the control of fuel rods) which are published at the same time as Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Energy, makes a statement in Parliament of the Construction of the lements and other components. Government's long-term nuclear power policy.

That will be a commitment to

order at least one nuclear power station a year from 1982 for 10 at a total cost of

Reports prepared for the Government on the Three Mile Island accident will also be released. But the Review of the Generic Safety Issues of Pressurized Water Reactors, which forms the executive report, will lead to the most searching ques-

Senior MI5

spy claimed

By Stewart Tendler Professor Authony Blunt may

have had an accomplice among senior MI5 officers in the 1950s.

according to Mr Goronwy Rees, who played a key role in

originally identifying the pro-fessor as a Russian agent.

and Maclean fled.
At that time Mr Rees wanted

to go to the secret services to report a discussion he had had

with Burgess many years pre-viously, in which Burgess had

said that Professor Blunt was an agent. The MI5 man saw Mr

Rees with Professor Blunt and they tried to dissuade him from

when Professor Blunt and many

others were being investigated

in the wake of the defections of Burgess and Maclean, He is

now said to be dead after re-tiring when the CIA refused to work with him. Mr Boyle said

the evidence surrounding the MIS man was circumstantial

friend of Professor Blunt, shortly after the Prime Minister revealed the profes-

sor's former role in a Commons statement last month.

Mr Sewell said that the professor had had a friend in MIS. but the man had died several

years ago. The man was not in any way a Russian agent, but

was loyal to Professor Blunt as Yesterday Mr Sewell con-tinued to refuse to disclose the

Mr Rees's evidence is interest-

period in the 1950s

cover for

standards in Britain are more rigorous than those in the

stem. Nevertheless, the report emphasizes an opinion that there appears to be no intrinsic engineering reason why the safety levels demanded in the United Kingdom cannot be met for the pressurized water re-

The recommendations point to the changes needed at the manufacturing stage, of the de-gree of extra protection in operating a power station, and of better procedures for fault analysis of operations (like the

nected with corrosion of fuel elements and other components that can be answered to sarisfy safety requirements in Britain only after research, because present knowledge is inadequate.

Attention is also drawn to the higher levels of radiation to which workers at nuclear stations using pressurized water reactors are exposed. Alterutions in design and construction would not eliminate that entirely, but the gap between present British practice and that in the United States would be nar-

remote from centres of population is also examined briefly United States, and hence the in the executive summary. The deficiency of the American density of population in the system. than in the United States. .

The consequent disadvantages that arise in trying to adapt the reactor to meet the conditions for the places most favoured for nuclear power stations by the electricity generating boards in the United Kingdom raise fundamental issues of safety and security.

The full nature of those questions is not covered in the executive summary on safety, but is the subject of the far weightier report on which it is based. A demand for that document to be made available is inevitable when the gaps shown by the shorter version

There is aiready a questioning mood about secrecy in nuclear reactor safety studies. An early day motion being put down today calls on the Government "for the immediate release not of any abridged sum-mary, but of the full secret, unabridged safety reports on the pressurized water reactor and the advanced gas-cooled reactor carried out by the Nuclear In-stallations. Inspectorate, the Nuclear Power Company and the electricity generating boards".

increased opposition.
It is against that background of growing hostility between union leaders and the Government that the Labour Party hierarchy has to decide whether to give the blanket commitment being sought by the TUC for repeal of the Conservative law reform package, parts of which are thought to appeal to some members of the shadow Cabi-

Atkins-Hume agreement saves Ulster talks From Our Own Correspondent

Mr Humphrey Atkins, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, has rescued his proposed constitutional conference on power devolution from the brink of collapse. Plans are going ahead to begin the talks at Stormont on

January 7.
The conference was saved fessor as a Russian agent. Mr Rees, the academic and author, died in hospital last week and in his last days was interviewed by Mr Andrew Boyle, author of The Climate of Treason. Yesterday Mr Boyle, whose book helped to provoke Professor Bluor's spy confession, said in The Observer that Mr Rees told him the MIS man appeared shortly after Burgess and Maclean fied. after Mr Arkins gave an assurance to Roman Catholic political leaders that no issue will be barred from discussion. That was enough to persuade the Social Democratic and Labour Party to take part.

Soon afterwards the Rev Ian
Paisley, leader of the Democratic Unionists, said he stood
by his decision to join the talks but the Official Unionist leaders

would not participate. The non-sectorian Alliance Party will alen be there.

The agreement was reached at a meeting at Stormont Castle they tried to dissuade him from and Mr John Hume, the SDLP leader, and confirmed later by formation with argument and a

remained determined that they

fled threat.

The MIS man served at 2 To get the SDLP to the conference Mr Atkins had to retreat from his earlier insistence that there could be no discussion of an "Irish dimension" to any agreement on devolution. That clearly is

no longer the case.

Mr Paisley, whose new moderate position is the latest and strangest phenomenon of Ulster politics, might on that basis have been expected to withdraw his decision to attend. ing in the light of a comment withdraw his decision to attend, made by Mr Brian Sewell, a but he said he saw no reason

The reason behind the deci-sion may be found in the bitter rivalry between his party and the Official Upionists; and a desire by Mr Paisley to outflank them over their outright refusal to join the "time-wasting " con-

If some sort of agreement could be reached in the coming

months, Mr Paisley will have scored an enormous political coup and thus will have sub-stantially advanced his ambition

to be the main spokesman for Ulster Protestants. Mr Brian Lenihan, the Irish Republic's new Foreign Minis-ter, said yesterday that he saw some light in the Ulster situation. He was particularly optimistic about the prospects of success now that there was strong leadership in Britain and Indiand begind Ireland, he said.

In Ulster, too, a faint air of optimism can be detected, although Mr Hume was anxious last night to point out that the difficulties to be overcome at the conference were enormous. He thought 1980 should be an interesting year for Anglo-Irish relations.

The agreement between Mr Atkins and Mr Hume, which has been committed to paper, says clearly that the SDLP will be free to put forward papers containing its own proposals. The agreement says the conference is not an end in itself and is merely a means of identifying the highest possible level of agreement on the transfer of responsibility for certain functions

representatives.
It says that although there is no serious prospect of agree-ment on a return to the power-sharing government of 1974 arrangements to take account of the interests of the minority by sharing the exercise of governmental powers will be on the table for discussion.

The crucial paragraph states in part: "Even after such a transfer of responsibility fur-

ago over disagreements with troans but only for a second the leadership, is considering offence. Raymond would probte formation of a new party. I ably have been put on report."

Unions seek pledge on

Prior Bill from Labour

By Our Labour Editor Trade union leaders will today seek a firm commitment from Labour politicians that they will repeal the Govern-ment's proposed legislation on the closed shop and secondary picketing when they are re-turned to office.

Arguments for the repeal of Mr James Prior's Employment Bill will be put to a meeting of the TUC-Labour Party liaison committee at Congress House when the scope for opposing the Conservatives strategy is

Mr David Basnett, chairman of the TUC economic commit-tee, said vesterday: "We need to coordinate our reactions to the Government's proposals in-side and outside Parliament immediately. We also quickly need to make it clear what a future Labour government will do if such legislation is intro-

do if such legislation is introduced.

"All the indications are that the current Bill is the beginning of a series of legislative shackles we are going to ger through the period of this government."

The scope of the original Employment Bill published 10 days ago is likely to be extended after the Law Lords' decision last week in the case of Express Newspapers versus MacShane, which held that "secondary blacking" in furtherance of an industrial dispute was lawful under legislation brought in by the last Labour government in fast Labour government in 1974.

The TUC has rejected the Bill as it stands as "irrelevant and grossly unfair" and any to restrict further the logal immunities enjoyed by trade unionists is certain to face

Call for debate on death of boy who feared cane

From Our Correspondent Nottingham

Teachers opposed to corporal punishment in schools vester-day sent a relegram to the Prime Minister calling for an emergency Commons debate on the case of a boy who was driven to suicide by fear of

the cane? Mr Tom Scott, education secretary of STOPP, the Society of Teachers Opposed to Physical Punishment, said; "This is the worst case we have come across in 11 years. It is the first time we have actually heard of anyone who has killed himself apparently as a direct result of the cane".

The boy who died was Ray-mond Parker, aged 14, an only child, of Robin Hood Avenue, Worsop, Nattinghamshire. He shot himself through the head with a 22 gun last week after being told he would have to

ther political development remains possible depending on the wishes of the peuple of Northern Ireland.

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Crisis in the steel towns 1—Port Talbot: Welsh front line for jobs cuts

Split over strike as bubble buest nears

a dozen luxurious chibs built for a future safe with steel. Now the bubble is about to burst as the town finds itself in the frontline of the British Steel Corporation's plan to cut up to 15,000 jobs in Wales, a measure which some polizicians forecast will lead to 50,000 redundancies in the princip-

At the Mount View social club retired steelworkers sit among the Christmass decoraamong the Christmass decorations voicing unprintable remarks about Mrs Thatcher.
"She is pushing us back to the
thirties: you should stend up
and be counted like we did
then. It is time for a national
strike to force her out."

The remarks are addressed.

to younger men, British Steel employees who do not yet know

employees who do not yet know whether they will be among the victims if the workforce is halved as expected from its present level of 12,000.

The argument is taken up by Mr Peter Lea and Mr Colin Hill, both in their early forries, both socialists and lifeiong union members. Mr Hill, a

Port Talbot the strike called by the Iron When night falls the giant and Stoel Trades Confederation steelwarks resembles an angry for January 2 as the only dragon; as fire flares and smoke method of showing solidarity

plant, who share only the cer-tainty that the good times have gone. At another table, Mr John Bamse, aged 46, reflects that after 25 years in the industry he faces a future on the dole if his job goes. The town will be finished, dead with thousands of men chasing every little job.

That total pessimism is not shared in public at any rate, by

the Afan borough council, although the worst option, the total closure and eventual flattening of the works, could lose it 55m a vear in rates.

Mr Terry Thomas, the development officer, said: "We may be kicked and down, but we will refuse to die. Port Talbot has been downgraded from a development area, but it is now essential for us to be given special development area status. The task of attracting new industries requires the kind of investment which only

This year, as a result of A union leader said: A it is intense efforts, the authority obviously a political decision has attracted 700 new jobs to made to stem any growth of keep the unemployment rate at nationalism in Scotland."

Lianwern, the steel plant that provides the economic base for Newport and most of Gwent.

The men seem convinced that if British Steel takes the option of making steel at Port-Talbot and sending it 50 miles to Llanwern to be processed..." the longest production line is the world "-it would be an economic blunder that would seal the fare of both plants.

Given the choice of miseries, the men favour the slimming of both plants thus retaining the potential capacity to meet any upsurge in world demand.
The men are deeply resentful that Ravenscraig in Scotland appears to be getting preferenpropers to be getting presential treatment when, according to British Steel's figures, the Scottish division's record shows a yearly loss of £3,261 an employee compared with a £165 loss per man in Port Talbot and £945 at Llanwern.

union branch secretary, favours 7.8 per cent, one point helow. The men at Port Talbot are the strike called by the Iron the average for Wales. Mr pinning their hopes on the fact and Steel Trades Confederation Thomas knows that without that the ore they use is shipped for January 2 as the only large development aid that virtually straight into the works steelwarks resembles an angry for January 2 as the only dregon as fire flares and smoke method of showing solidarity method of solidarity method of showing solidarity method of solidarity method of showing solidarity method of solidarity method of showing solidarity method of showing solidarity method of showing solidarity method of showing solidarity method of solidarity met figure could increase to how ity from a tidal harbour, making

iron and steel making as its number three blassfuruece, opened a year after completion because of an industrial dis-pute, was until recently the nost modern in the Unked

In the past two years steel-workers in Wales have seen the closure of East Moors, Cardiff, and the end of steelmak-ing at Ebbw Vale. And by next summer Shotton will have gone, too. Shellsbocked and demora-lized, it is extremely unlikely that the men of Port Talbot have the will to press for a national general strike.

Rather there is a determina-tion to enjoy this Christmas as never before and then to fight for the largest compensation they can negotiate. With grist-resignation they say that Geof-frey Howe would be best advised to stay away from his home town. He is not at the moment its most favourite son



Cliff Richard, on the steps of the Victoria Memorial, leading carol singless last night before torchlight parade for the Queen to mark the end of the International Year of the Child.

Government may abolish index-linked benefit

The Government Is considering dropping any links between unemployment benefit and rising inflation as part of its overall drive to eradicate the sicalled "why work syntheme".
It is one of many proposals
being examined by Treasory
ministers and inhere mental colleagues to call down
on public expenditure. If it is
finally approved the measure
would almost certainly clause a
storm with trades usion inheres.
They would be able to point
out that those wito ferminely
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those who can be accused of being "work-shy". There is no direct link be-tween unemployment and the retail price index, but govern-ments in the past have generally tied sary unemployment benefit to sising prices. At the same time there is no auto-matic annual increase.

Weather forecast and recordings

anaintenance of living standards, he told a meeting at contrary to statements for Blindley Heath, Surrey. That its something which in the end can only be achieved by higher oftput, achieved by the people to average earnings than settlemiselves.

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Iraqi still held after bringing in explosives

A young Iraqi arrested after 2lb of explosives were found in his luggage at Heathrow air-port, London, last week was still being questioned by detec-

The man, in his early 20s, arrived on a Middle East Air-lines flight from Beirut with the explosives hidden in tubes of shaving cream, and three detonators. They were dis-covered in a routine drugs check by customs officers.

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By Annabel Ferriman
Two Africans who were
refused sponsorship on a
management training course
failed to prove that the refusal
was indirect discrimination, an industrial tribunal has ruled.

The two men alleged that the refusal by the Manpower Services Commission to sponsor them, because they had no management experience, indirectly discriminated against them because it was harder for blacks than for whites to get management experience. The tribunal, in Victoria, London, sympathized with the men caught in a trap. They

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39, a Nigerian living in Hol-loway, north London, and Mr Samuel Oburoni, aged 34, a Ghanaian living in Walthamstow, north London, were both accepted for a Diploma of Management Studies course at the Polytechnic of Central London don for October, 1978, and applied for grants under the Training Opportunities Scheme

could not get a management. Pleaseys as a test engineer and qualification without management since his arrival in Eritain in ment experience but could not 1961 had obtained a Higher National Certificate and Diploma in electrical engineer-ing, and had become a graduate of the Institute of Electrical Engineers.

He could not become a chartered engineer, however, without management exper-

Mr E. S. Rixon, a training consultant with the Manpower Services Commission, recommended that he be sponsored under the Tops scheme, saying (Tops). that he was suitable in all Mr Ojutiku was working at respects and the course would

ing a management position when he finished. A commission selection pariel, however, rejected hum because of his lack of managerial exper-

Mr Oburoni was working as a nurse at the time he applied for sponsorship but had worked before as a higher clerical offi-cer in Hackney Hospital, north

To improve his prospects he had obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Sciences from the Polytechnic of Central

Union withdraws **BL** talks boycott threat

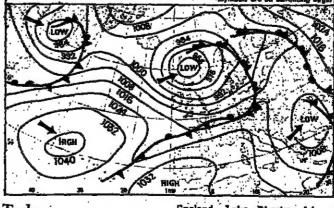
A threat to boycott talks with the BL management on Thursday has been withdrawn by the Transport and General Workers Union.

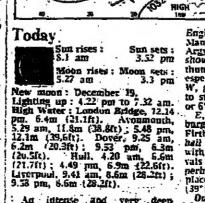
The company has given assurances that the meeting in London, will not be about the Eduardes reorganization plan or an immediate pay deal but will involve industrial relations and collective bargaining. "Sir Michael Edwardes, chairman of BL, whose plan to lose at least 25,000 jebs and close or partly close 13 plants, is opposed by the union, will not

attend the meeting. The inquiry set up by the Amalgamated Union of Engi-ueoring Workers will hold another neuring today into the dismissal of Mr Derek Robinson, the Lausbridge than the tausbridge than the tausbridge the tausbridge the tausbridge the tausbridge than the tausbridge the Longbridge shop stewards'

Swimming pool check

The regional swimming pool built at Peterborough two years ago for £2m has been closed while a safety inspection is made. A preliminary inspection disclosed that parts of the ceiling are in danger of falling.





An intense and very deep depression N of Scotland moves steadily E.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

-Loudon, SE, central S England,
East Anglio, Mollands: Bright or
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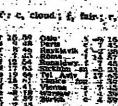
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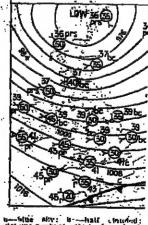
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E. NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundes, Aberdeen, Moray Firth: Squally showers, heavy with ball and thunder, what; are times with snow over hills; sunny interwith snow over hills, sunny inter-vals; wind W, gale or severe gale;

perhaps storm at times in exposed places; max temp 4°C or 5°C (39°F to 41°F). Outlook for comorrow and Wed-nesday: Colder wish whatry showers, longer periods of sleet or snow in N and E comorrow; frost at might; very windy especially at first.

WEATHER REPORTS VESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; th, thunder.





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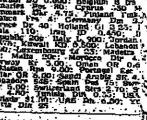
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Seaspeed may be sold as part of joint hovercraft operation

y Michael Baily hipping Correspondent

Hoverloyd the larger and ore successful of the two, was at up for sale in the autumn ter the parent Swedish Brorom group had two into financial difficulties caused by the simple shum. ipping shunp.

Market soundings soon owed that a combined Hoveryd-Seaspeed undertaking ruld be far more attractive to tential buyers than Hoverryd on its own. British Rail, which had rests-

d approaches to merge Sea-eed with Hoverlloyd, is now eed with Hoverlloyd, is now lieved to be not averse to edding a loss-making sub-liary, and the Government is ought to favour a more in-

Although HoverHoyd has succeeded in making profits of breakup of HoverHoyd and discour film in recent years, the possible outcome would be the breakup of HoverHoyd and discour film in recent years, the possi of its fileet of Mountained the fuel-intensive hoverift; and the general feeling opposed by Iocal interests; not that after building up traffic as by Mr Jonathan Aitken, about 2,500,000 passengers MF for Thanet, East, who is discourable to the two hovercraft optacts, the minister of Transfit to compete, particularly in

Christopher Warman

says today.

he Government's proposals

igned to discourage local hortises from making ex-sive rate increases could hir wrong targets, the Associa-of Metropolitan Authori-

n its opposition to the finanl provisions in the Local Gov-

ment, Planning and Land, the association criticizes

nt to reduce the grant pay-e to councils—whose rate indage in 1980-81 exceeds the

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Seaspeed together.
Concentrating sailings mainly at Seaspeed's Dover terminal and maintenance mainly at Hoverlloyd's Ramsgate works would make possible game of film or more a year from a combined operation, studies Suggest. Although Hoverlloyd has

Although Hoverlloyd has been the pacemaker in the past decade. Seaspeed, with its highly successful stretched. BHC Mounthattens, is carching up and would be doing even better were it not for the unreliable performance of the French N 500 last season. If the deal falls through, a possible outcome would be the

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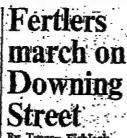
Some member sumorues have poundages of 130p or more and stand a very good chance of being hit by the practity clause in this Bill whether they put their rates up

As an example, the Associa-tion said that one member rouncil had a rate poundage of 88.28p and a unit cost for secondary education of £597.12p a pupil—against another auth-rity's figures of \$117.51p and In setting their rates for 1980-81 local authorities would

bave a view on whether they were likely to be penalized and if so whether to rate for a possible loss of grant.

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The notional unform rate has in turn increases the risk that
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The fertlers of Britain marched on Downing Street yesterday to strike a blow for freedom and to save their craft from extinction

Freedom for Fertlers, their banners said as, with their fertling gear on their shoulders, like rifles at the slope, they marched to No 10 from Parlin marched to No 10 from Parlia-ment Square to present a perision to the Prime Minister. "Perhaps", one of their leaders said hopefully, "We may have a sympathetic ear at No 10. We understand that Mrs Thatcher's son, Mark, has detecting. Its practitioners may easily be identified as they shuffle over beach and heather,

In the four or five years since it started, the hobby has attracted about 200,000 adherents. The lure of treasure trove is, of course, at the heart of it, and although many people have found not much more than a fistful of old iron and sundry Edward VII pennies, some fertiers have Fertiers, however, have some powerful, enemies. Certain archaeologists and historians

have strong misgivings about the spread of the hobby. They feel that inexpert smateurs with their £15 gadgets should nor be allowed to trample on potentially valuable

sites.
The anxieties of archaeologists in this matter are looked after in a section of the new Ancient Monuments Act. It is to come into force in the spring and prohibits the use of meral

For amateur metal detectors For amateur metal detectors that is more than the wedge's thin end. That is why more than 400 of them marched yesterday to demand that personal freedom to pursue a constructive and educational hobby is not denied. Mr Tony Hammond, one of the organizers of Dig, the Detector Information Group, said: "The new Act has the landeble aim of protecting our

laudeble sim of protecting our heritage; but it is being used to restrict the peaceful activi-ties of detector hobbyists.

"Already local sushorities



Ship breaks apart in Cornish cove

Hundreds of people flocked to the hamset of Portquin to see the stranded ship, the 2,774-ton Skopelos Sky. The Greek-owned vessel hit rocks at the base of 100ft cliffs

2,000 drums of industrial oil, which coastguards hoped could be removed before more bad weather spilled them into the

Hurricane-force winds caused the cargo to shift and drove the Skopelos Sky, with a 20 degree list, into Portquin Bay, which at its widest is two miles across. Nine of her crew were winched off by helicopters and then the skipper and five others fought for seven hours in a vain ertempt to save her.

They were taken off, also by

helicopter, less than 10 minutes before the vessel was flung on In the Channel an empty life

raft was yesterday identified as from the French trawler Afria

crew of five are feared lost in The search for the 67ft fish-

her crew of seven off Shetland was called off yesterday and she was presumed lost.

The Banff-registered boat made a routine radio contact early on Saturday and the last message from her was at 4.20 am, when she was 200 miles north-east of Aberdeen. She reported waves up to 50ft high. In the biggest mass evacua-tion of a North Sea oil installation, 527 men were lifted by helicopter from the crane

barge, Hermod, on Saturday as she drifted in rough seas after her anchors broke. The Hermod, 50,000 tonnes, was stationed 110 miles northeast of Aberdeen, in the Texaco

Tartan oilfield, when gales caused four of her 12 anchor chains to fail. Yesterday afternoon the Hermod, with some 80 men on board, reported it had regained

nower and was returning to the The body of a crewman of the capsized trawler, Petis Laurent, was found off the coast, and pine other crewmen, as well as the trawler, L'Ondine,

were still missing.
There was still no word of the trawler, Karguen, and its crew of five or six, which was due to return to port yester-day after fishing in the Irish

Sea.
On land, at least 1,000 trees
Cornwall were blown down in Cornwall alone, with more than 2,000 properties damaged.

NHS to pay patient's £4,000 EEC surgery bill

By John Roper Health Services Correspondent A National Health Service patient has won a six-month battle to have a hip operation in a West German clinic at a cost to the NHS of £4,000.

Mr Pierre Gilles, aged 49, a manager from Fulham, west London, said yesterday that an operation he had in Britain as an NHS patient was not successful and left him with one leg shorter than the other. Surgeons told him that he would have to wair months for another operation.

German surgeons at Mainz, after an X-ray examination, said that the operation would be done within hours of his arrival at the clinic there. He would be in the hospital for three weeks. The cost is about twice that of a similar stay in a London

Mr Gilles will go to the Mainz clinic next month. His first plea to the Department of Health and Social Security was

The success of his appeal against that, he said, resulted largely from a little known. judgment of the European Court of Justice. His contention was that if a medical service was available in another EEC country, that availability was reason enough for the patient

to be sent.
The judgment, in the Pierit case, was that a patient should be entitled to cash benefits provided by the competent insti-tution in accordance with legis-

lation which it administers. The judgment added: "However, by agreement between the competent institution and the institution of the place of stay such benefits may be provided by the latter institution on ba-balf of the former in accordance with the legislation of the com-

perent state".

The DHSS does not discuss individual cases but an official said that there was provision for a patient to obtain treatment in another country in cer-tain circumstances. Leaflet SA

The treatment sought must be available under the sickness insurance scheme of the country concerned and must be authorized by the department. There were probably only 20 to 30 such cases a year. "There must be very good reasons", he said.

The British Medical Association said that a consultant had to decide whether it was medically important that a patient should receive treatment in another country paid by the

A good reason would be treat-

after being flung by huge seas on to rocks in the Cornish cove

where the BBC filmed the wreck scenes for Poldark.

the storm which wrought its from the French trawler Atria worst havoc over Devon and and an RAF Nimrod aircraft Cornwall. In her cargo were sighted wreckage. The trawler's

Two brothers die in house blaze

Two brothers died after a fire yesterday at their home near Mansfield, Nottingham-

shire.

Michael Robinson, aged 12, and his brother Mark, aged five, were asleep upstairs when the fire was discovered about 3.30 ant by their sister, Kim, aged 21, who was asleep in a downstairs room of the house

Poverty level for some separated wives By Our Social Services

The Government has stepped in to stop the incomes of some separated wives rising above the poverty level next year. It has changed the rules on how maintenance payments are treated for supplemented bene-fit purposes, saving an esti-mated £10m a year.

The change is disclosed today in One Parent Times, the journal of the National Council for One Parent Families, which Government's

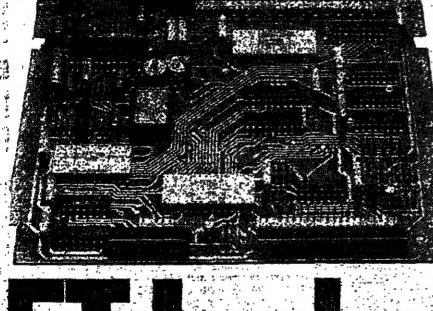
figures. It points out that only 668 divorced mothers were known to be benefiting last June from the present rules, which allow maintenance paid to a child to be ignored in assessing the benefit for the mother and her other children.

Next year, when parts of the Domestic Proceedings and Magistrates' Courts Act, 1978, are expected to be implemented several hundred separated wives would have benefited from the present rules.

decided that maintenance paid to a child will count in full in assessing the family's benefit ending a provision that en-ables fathers to raise their former family's total income above the poverty level. The journal also says tha

trade unions, employers and the Government are ignoring the needs of working lone parents when their children are ill. It accuses Britain of having a "shameful and shabby" record

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By Diana Geddes Education Correspondent

Head teachers have been advised by their union not to support fund-raising schemes designed to provide books. equipment and other resources which have been lost to schools because of outs in public spend-

A circular from Mr David Hart, general secretary of the National Association of Head Teachers, to local secretaries representing two-thirds of all head teachers said that some beads were already under pres-sure to agree to schemes to raise money from parents and industry.

"Obviously they will make un their own minds on this subisct. But as a national asso-ciprion, we should resist any nore towards local education authority reliance on private fund-raising whose objective is the provision of those essen-tials which authorities have themselves provided in the past", Mr Hart said.

Such moves struck at the very root of maintained education. They would also create quite unacceptable and decisive differences between one school and another. Instead, associa-tion members should try to persuade local authorities not to damage basic school re-

It was no good the Government seeking agreement on a national framework for what was taught in schools. The shortage of teachers in some vital subjects, together with government policies on education cuts, would make the achievement of a basic curriculum for all schools impossible. Mr Hart

Many local authorities believed that they could maintain standards by keeping all their full-time teachers, but sacking part-timers. That had led to a reduction in remedial education and put at risk specialist sub-jects in middle and secondary

Compared with last year, 50 per cent more needed to be spent on books and basic classroom materials this year just to keep standards of provision at the same level as in 1972, Mr Hart said. No school could hope to do its proper job for pupils if it was short of text books.

Welsh hostel burnt

Another English-owned property in Wales, a chapel house used as a hostel at Blaenau Ffestiolog, Gwynedd, was burnt by extremists on Saturday. Earlier last week six holiday homes in Wales were destroyed.

Union rejects Stephenson and St Boniface to lure overseas visitors

Regional attractions for tourists

By Alan Hamilton is recreation of the successful The English tourist industry test run of Stephenson's has summoned the help of D. Rocket.

H Lawrence, George Stephenson, Sir Francis Drake, Amy establish itself as the central structure of the South. Johnson and St Boulface to see it through what it expects to be the difficult year of 1980.

A combination of general world uncertainty and a weak dollar have led the salesmen of British tourism to forecast a levelling off in the growth in numbers and total spending of overseas visitors next year. Business has not been helped by wide publicity in the foreign press of the extor-tionate prices of some London hotel rooms, and the recent blot on the capital's escutcheon as an international gambling centre of the highest probity.
With no more jubilees until
2002 at the earliest, and no other important national cele-brations or anniversaries to brations or anniversaries to latch on to, the British Tourist Authority and the English Tourist Board are reduced to banging the drum for a crop of regional attractions, besides continuing their more general exhortations to visit English gardens, eat English food, and meet the friendly British.

meet the friendly British.

Next year's biggest single special attraction, apart from perennials like the Edinburgh Festival, is likely to be the 150th auniversary of the Rainhill engine trials in Liverpool. at which more than 200,000 spectators are expected for a museum

By Pat Healy Social Services Correspondent

must be included in the 1981 census if reliable information

about the housing, education and job prospects of racial min-

orities is to be obtained, the Social Research Association says.

in a statement today...
The association, a professional body drawn from the universities, central and local government.

have campaigned successfully against the argument that offi-cial recognition of race or

colour preserves those labels as social categories. Their success

has enabled them to show the persistent relationship between

race and inequality, the associa-

tion says.
"It is not surprising that in

the atmosphere of mistrust and uncertainty created by recent

legislation many people fear what the authorities will do

Questions on race and colour

establish itself as the central tourist centre of the Southwest with a 142-day festival commemorating the 400th and versary of Drake's return from the street of the second secon circumnavigating The globe. Besides a reconstruction of his arrival at Plymouth Hoe, promised attractions include the world premiers of a new musical by a Broadway author.

In the East Midlands, a pro-

gramme of events will comme-morate the fiftieth anniversary of the death of D. H. Lawrence. The commercially astute Marquess of Bath is trading Marquess of Bath is trading heavily on the 400th birthday of Longleat House in Wiltshire. Even Rull, normally season, set at £11 for a double omitted from the more hurried in the low season, and £16 in grand tours of Britain, is trying to elbow into the guidebooks with celebrations to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the first solo female flight on make the marketing of budget-price holidays in forof the first solo female flight to Australia by Amy Johnson, who was born on Humberside but did not do a great deal

else of note in the area.

An attempt to capture the substantial German tourist market is being made at Credi-ton in Devon, where St Boni-face, patron saint of Germany, was born in AD 680, and where there is to be a son st lumiere presentation of his life and the opening of a new But the main thrust of the

punately we have had a very bad press overseas."

the Sussex Gardens area of

budget-price holidays to for-signers easier. The authority points out that, particularly since the advent of Skytrain, the proportion of overseas tourists coming on pre-booked package holidays has fallen to ess than a quarter.

Even with the promise of a cheap bed thrown in, St Boni-fact and Amy Johnson will be bard put to complete with Moscow and the Olympic

Census question on race to stable backed by researchers private's horse

the association says. What is

needed is a simple question on

self-assessed colour and the re-tention of the 1971 census ques-

tion on whether racial minori-

"It will be easier to 'blame

tion on birthplace.

ernment and independent re"It will be easier to 'blame search institutes, points out the victim' if reliable informathat blacks in the United States tion is not available on the re-

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reparated from the question-naires and subsequently de-stroyed." Technical arguments against including colour and race ques-tions in the census arise from the fact that pre-test questions have confused race with colour, Porter's horse.

is at Thornton, near Blackpool, said: "I was in a panic and worried because I thought I might have to give him up".

She went to Major William. Smith, aged 50, York garrison lationship between race and the real culprit, lack of jobs, poor housing and the persistence of discrimination."

Other specific surveys would

Major Smith called in the School of Ordinance, near Camberley, Surrey, where Army regulations are drawn up and old regulations are preserved. The school found a 140-year-old rule that the Army is obliged to provide stabling for horses belonging either to officers or other ranks. Now the Army is repairing the roof of an old stable block

at Imphal Barracks, York, for Mr Merengo.

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tourist industry's effort abroad next year will be directed at correcting the impression that Britain is pricing itself out o

the market.

Mr Alan Jefferson, marketing makager of the British.

Tourist Authority, said: "Weare not cleap, particularly for
North Americans, but there is
good value to be found. Unforwhere here had a very

To help the authority sell its value-for-money campaign in 1980, a number of hoteliers in London, known for its reasonably priced accommodation, have formed themselves into a consortium to sell their 2,000 rooms at a fixed price for next.

Army finds way

A regulation framed some time between the Battle of Waterloo and the Crimean War has enabled the Army to pro-vide a stable for Private Belinds

Porter's horse.

Private Porter, aged 19, of the Women's Royal Army Carps, saved her pay to buy Mr Merengo, a four-year-old grey gelding, for £500. She planned to train it for long-distance endurance rides. Private Porter, whose home

quartermaster.

not include race questions. The ties are escaping from inner city areas, whether their hous-ing standards relative to the white population are improving, whether unemployment among

WEST EUROPE

Italy puts anti-terror' expert in north and stiffens penalties

Rome Dec 16:

Unexpectedly strong measures
against introducin decident by
the fatherto uncertain Government of Signor Francesco Cossiga come into force compared.
Much depends on what the measures really mean for a country confused for the first
Turin General Dain Chiesa is already known from his work time since political terrorism already known from his work began 10 years ago at the head of a special auti-Signor Cossign is widely felt terrorism squad as the most

began 10 years ago: Signor Cossiga is widely felt to have risen well to the chalto have risen well to the chal-lenge. His Government could scarcely have been in a worse condition to meet the increased ferocity of the terrorism dis-played last week. One of its allies — the Socialists on whom the Christian Democrat admini-

the Christian Democrat admini-stration depends in Parliament had already declared the Government dead.

Allegations of scandal made about the oil agreement with Saudi Arabia brought the sto-pension of oil supplies by Riyadh and the chilling cerregion and the children certainty of a big energy gap next year. Time and again the Government was put in a minority last week in committee debates on a Bill dealing with

Yet this apparently vacil-lating Government took a stand decisive enough to produce reactions varying from the Communist demand for a place in the Government to assure its continued strength, to more conservative reasoning that the Government's survival may be the last chance to save the

Country's democratic regime.
Publication comorrow of the decree-law makes the measures immediately operative. Parliament will then have to approve them within three months.

They provide for life imprisonment without the chance of perole for terrorist killings and for the murder of judges or members of the police forces. Penalties for police forces. Penalties for woundings are doubled if the crime is committed by terrorists, and there are general increases as well for other crimes committed by terrorists. People accused of terrorist crimes will not be eligible for provisional liberty while await instrum. Amone prepared of ing tried. Anyone suspected of preparing exts of terrorism can be arrested and questioned by the police for 48 hours before the judiciary is informed and without the processor of the policy of the processor of

without the presence of defending counsel. With a judge's agreement, the period can be extended for another two days. The police can carry out searches not only in places where suspected terrorists are thought to be hiding but in buildings near to the supposed buildings near to the supposed hideout. People paying sums of more than 20m live (fit2,000) into a bank account must provide proof of their identity.

The Government has reorganized its forces involved in anti-terrorist operations in the

particularly prone provinces of the north. The redoubtable General Carlo Alberto Dalla Chiesa has been given command of the Milan division of cara-binieri with responsibilities covering the north.

European space launcher

fails to lift off

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, Dec 16

Paris, Dec 16
At 1430 hours and 3.4 seconds
GMT yesterday the Beropean
space launcher Ariene fiiled to
get off the ground. President
Giscard d'Estaing was some of
the millions of Breneft television viewers watching the direct
transmission from Kourou,
French Guiana, of this embarrassing serback to Buropean

rassing setback to European space hopes.

They saw the engines ignite, then the 50 mietre high rocket almost disappeared in a cloud of smoke. As the smoke cleared the silver rocket responsered, firmly anchored to the ground by a strong set of British-made jaws.....

The launcher now has to be seinspected in detail before the trial launch can be rescheduled.

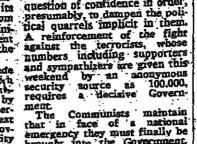
Leading Franco

Guernica, Spain, Dec 16.— Senor Jesus Maria de Leizaola President for the last 19 years

of the Basque government in exile returned here from France

vesterday after 42 years, to sur-render his power to the new autonomous Basque administra-

exile returns



ment.
The Communists maintain that in face of a national emergency they must finally be brought into the Government.
Some Christian Democrats are once again thinking in terms. of a programme of action agreed with the Communists, arreed with the Communists, and Signor Cossign himself is by nature a seeker of agreed opinion.

But that is a long way from

disposal some 25,000 men, dis-tributed throughout 33 pro-vinces and the greater part of

publicized opponent of the terrorist Red Brigades.
Signor Cossiga decided not to make parliamentary approval of the anti-terrorist measures a question of confidence in order,

giving ministerial portfolios to the Communists, a move which, according to more conservative opinion, would split the country and not stimulate strength through unity.

Bomb attack Terrorism

strength through unity.

Bomb attack: Terrorism bombed a Christian Democratic Party office in a Rome suburb and a car belonging to a party official in Caserts during the night. There were no injuries in either incident.

In Turia, four right-wing arrested today

extremists were arrested today after a local office of the Com-munist Party was badly dam-aged by fire. In another incident in Turin

today, two policemen were severely injured when a 20-year-old colleague accidentally opened fire on them with a machine gun.—UPI and Reuter.



General Carlo Alberto Dalla Chiesa: Redoubtable enemy of the Red Brigades

From Michael Hornsby

Mr Joergensen: Three unpopular options.

Defeat faces Danish Government From Our Correspondent

Copenhagen, Dec 16
Elections in Denmark in the
New Year became a possibility
today after failure to resolve
the stalemate in negotiations
between Mr Anker Joergensen's Social Democratic minority Government and other political

Government and other political parties on an economic austerity package.

Agreement will have to be reached by tomorrow at the latest if the package is in be passed by Parliament before the Christmas recess.

Mr joergensen's main difficulty is securing majority suport in Parliament for his controversial plan to introduce

controversial plan to introduce economic democracy in the form of a compulsory profit sharing scheme for workers in limited companies, worker-represen-tation on company boards, and the setting up of a central worker-controlled investment fund.

The economic democracy measures are tied to other ele-

measures are tied to wither elsments in the package, iscluding increased property. Corporation and wealth taxes, and an extension until February 1981 of the present price and incomes freeze.

To date, both Mr Joergensen and the unions have been adamant that the package must be passed as a whole. The economic democracy measures are the price the trade union federation has exacted from the Government for support the Government for support for its stringent income policy.

The prices and incomes freeze imposed after the Social Benocrats victory in the Democrate sictory in the October general elections, expires next month.

Unless there is a last-minute change of heart by the centrist parties, Mr Joergensen will have three choices call un-popular elections in January; hand over power to the rightest parties; or withdraw the economic democracy measures from the austerity package.

De Gaulle museum

Paris, Dec 16.—La Boisserie, the home of General de Gaulle er Colombey-les-Deux-Beisses, is week It will house a perma-nent display of mements of the Several's life.

French assembly approves new deal for farming

the Bill attracted no less than 600 amendments before it was finally passed last night by the combined votes of the Gaulists and Giscardians against the combined votes of the Socialists and Communists. The traditional oblitical digitions were tional political divisions were reestablished,

During the debate M Pierre Mehaiguerie, the Minister of Agriculture, said there was no Agriculture, said there was no alternative to the new policies. France was the third largest experted of agricultural products. This year it had a belance in its favour of 13,000m france (f.1,450m).

The return of the last prominent exile from General production of the last prominent in the first prominent in the Basque region.—Reuter.

from Ian Murray

Paris, Decr. 16

Two waits to the day after

Presidency, Giscard D'Assains

made a speech calling agriculture \$\frac{1}{2}\text{ in the day after} \text{ Since 1960 the farming popularity of the call has been passed

by the Nasispal Assembly to further its Herelopment.

The President's idea was that as farm produce was France's only really valuable raw material, the country had to switch from a farm to a food policy in order to improve pation. The new law for expenditural orients, iton, as it is known, seeks to provide the machinery to streamline food production.

The Bill attracted no less than 500 amendments have a supporting it, have arrested the machinery to supporting it, have arrested to supporting it have arrested to supporting it have a proper to supporting it have a proper to support to support

people to stay on the land.

There are, too, better pensions and measures to give equal rights on the wives of the street.

The law is seen as being a 20-year plan to transform agriculture. The Gaullists, while supporting it have arrived that not enough money is being speat to put it into operation.

The Socialises however.

The Socialists, however, believe the law is "rampant capitalism" and they predict that farmers judged to be uncompetitive will be forced off the lend. Their spokesman, M. André Cellard, said: "Up until now peasants have lived poor but died rich. From now on they will live and die poor."

alternative to the new policies.
France was the third largest exported of agricultural products. This year it had a dictates of the Edwoless to the fair and office of the Edwoless Community trade dictates of the Edwoless Community and dictates of the Edwoless Community and Mitchel Community Community and Mitchel Community Community about EEC pressures The Community ago showed a good to the right of the community was also worried about EEC pressures The Community ago showed a good to the right of the right of the right of the community was also worried about EEC pressures The Community ago showed a good to the right.

French Quintinpless Besaucon, Dec 15, Only and the community were form there form the ware form there form the ware form the last of a gricultural products, help common market.

EEC pledge 10 clear way. for Spain's membership

Brussels Dec 16
Senor Adolfo Suaren th
Spanish Prime Minister, he
been given a promise by th European Commission than will try to revive the flaggin momentum of negotiations o Spain's application to join th

At talks in Brussels last Fr At sails in brusses last rr day and Saturday Senor Suarv and Mr Jenkins, the Presider of the Commission, agreed that it was both possible and desi able to break the back of it negotiations by the end of ne

That would then open the was for signature of an accessic treaty during the first half 1981, with actual entry to the REC taking place on Januar 1, 1983, after allowing months for parliamentary rafication by Spain and the exiting member states (which include Greece). The Commission is not The Commission is not course in a position to mal commitments on behalf member states. None the lesself of the second states and he well as the second states and he well as the second states are second states. pleased with the assurances.

Mr Jenkins and other seni
commissioners.

The Spanish Governmes
which has nailed its forei

policy colours firmly to the El mast, has a political and psycl logical need to show domes opinion that progress is belmade in its entry negotiatio: Madrid has been dismayed the foot-dragging of some me

ber states.

Spain applied for memb ship of the EEC in July, 19 but negotiations with the Niwere formally opened only February of this year after I Commission had presented

constitutionally required on ion on Spanish entry.

Although favourable to Sp. isn membership, the Commision drew attention to the commission drews attention drews atten ficult economic edjustme Spain and the Community a mic integration should phased over a 10-year train ground period after entry.

The negotiations have a

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not got much beyond prepr eory exchanges of statisti data, though the Commiss has put forward proposals bringing Spanish industry i the EEC. Senor Suarez was t that proposals on agriculti one of the main areas of di-culty, would be submitted the first half of next year. the first half of next year.
Only when the positions both sides have been fully cl. fied by the Commission of Spanish officials will direct legining between Spain and EEGs Council of Ministers gin in cornest. That is unlibefore the second half of a

20 per cent of the Spanish w force, Spain's mainly Medi ranean products (wine, of and citrus fruits) will com fiercely with the produce farmer's in France and Ital The EEC farmers' organ the EEC farmers' organ the EEC market and full tegration is to the system farm price support should phased over 15 years. On the Eddustrial from the dustry has developed beh supply protective barriers. prolonged negotiating strug is thus in prospect with EEC pressing for rapid remo of barriers to its industrial parts and the Spenish ports and the Spanish equally rapid integration i the Common Agricultu Policy

Portuguese go to the polls for local elections

From Our Correspondent Lisbon, Dec 16 Portugal's voters went to polls today, for the sect time in a fortnight, this time elect members of the municipal councils, and municipal and parish asses

Belgian theologian remains true to himself

From Our Correspondent Rome, Dec 16

At a crowded press conference yesterday Father Edward Schillebeeckx expressed his full loyalty to the Roman Catholic Church and to his own ideas which the church's disciplinary body has challenged.

The Belgian-professor who itself and seven appointed to discuss his views, with him were bound by an oath of secrety and as would be represented by the two days of discussions to which his were bound by an oath of secrety and as would be first had been subjected by the Vanican's Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

Like the Vatican intell, he was intent on removing the concept of a trial, it was all very friendly, he said, "perhaps no friendly".

His smile seldom left him. His prey facter and his easy manner with such nuples as the divinity of Christ and the decisions of the fifth century Council of Chalcedon made as thought, correspond with the councers filed in the processor when with such nuples as the divinity of Christ and the decisions of the fifth century Council of Chalcedon made as thought, correspond with the nuples are the divinity of Christ and the decisions of the fifth century Council of Chalcedon made as thought, correspond with the first century for correspond with the first century of Christ and the decisions of the fifth century Council of Chalcedon made as thought, correspond with the correspond with the correspond with the first century for correspond with the first century for correspond with the first century of Christ and the decision of the fifth century Council of Chalcedon made as the content of the first century for correspond with the first

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ehran given advance varning of Shah's eparture for Panama

It is still unclear how much

advance notice was given to Ayatollah. Khomeini but two

Iranian Foreign Ministers have

the Shah's movements. By early this evening, he had made no

It is equally obvious, how-

given no advence warning that the Shah was leaving the United

States, The students' committee, which usually defines their

policy towards the hostages, was

This afternoon, however, they

insisted that they would now fulfil their threats against their

prisoners by puring them on trial for spying. The full flavour of their somewhat portentous "communiqué" is best conveyed in the following extract from their statement.

from its great political dead-lock and befool (sic) its nation, the United States has embarked

Control of the second of the s

he Iranian authorities were le aware of the American to fly the deposed Shah-

Panama at least two days re he left the United es last night. Details of his ination and time of deparwere passed on to the ians by three Western assies in Tehran at the iffic request of the United

diplomatic ion here will comment on matter, the British Embassy among those which in-sed the Iranian Foreign stry that the Shah was to

le Irauian Revolutionary zed that the Americans d not extradite the Shah d not extracte the Shanran, annears to have cond that this step was
table. As a result, there
scarcely any official
ion in Tehran today.

ille it might be an
geration to describe this matic understanding as a of collusion between the

and American govern-it nevertheless repre-

a new and potentially ful direction in the course ir relations. Sades Qotbzadeh, the ign Minister, at a press rence in Tehran tonight; ign Minister, at a press the United States has embarked rence in Tehram tonight; on a futile effort and has sent the Criminal Mohemed Reza out the Criminal States and has rau and spoke of "a possion of defusing the crisis."

(sic): Panamis. We hereby view of this, an announce that to reveal the principal of the states and to reacherous plots by the states that they would go punish it the spy hostages will it with spy trials for the 50 be tried."

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Rival ayatollah denounces one-man rule

Com, Dec 16. — Ayamllah Shariat-Madari, Iran's second most influential religious leader, has accused the drafters shdad. Dec 16.—Iraq yes-y accused Iran's revolu-ry leaders of creating a orship more violent than of the new Islamic constitution of handing over national sovereignty to one man. Referring in an interview to the election last August of a clergy-dominated council of experts to review the constitutions to the side of the constitutions of the constitution of the co of the ousted Shab, but d reports that it had

ked Iran on Friday, han radio had quoted the an Foreign Ministry as g that Iraqi forces had ed three miles into southern Iran, but it said later, they had retreated and alltion, he said the nation had wanted the council " to exercise its own powers and not to evict itself from power and give it to someone else."

He said article 110 of the con-Trudeau needed tawa, Dec 16.—The execu-of Canada's Liberal Party stitution, approved in a referen-dum earlier this month, was against national sovereignty. The stricle gives Ayatollah Khomeini sweeping judicial and executive powers.—Reuter. decided to ask Mr Pierre

Court tells Iran to release all hostages

The International Court of Justice in The Hague has ordered Iran to release immediately all the American hostages being held in that already list their jobs because they failed to keep the Imam fully informed on government policy and Mr Ootbaden, the present holder of the post, is unlikely to have repeated their mistake. It seems likely, therefore, that the Ayatollah was indeed given some lidea of the Shah's movements. By early country and to restore the embassy in Tehran to exclusive United States control.

The fifteen judges of the court were manimous in their decision.

decision.

Iran, which did not attend,
was also told that it should give the American diplomats "im-munity from any form of criminal jurisdiction and facili-ties to leave Iran".

America had asked for pro-visional measures pending final fudgment in the case. It wants the court to rule that Iran has violated international law in tolerating encouraging and failing to prevent and punish " those who have seized the

hostages.

The court also ordered both the United States and Iran to refrain from any action which could aggravate the tension between the two countries or render a solution of the dispute more difficult. It rejected Iran's contention

that it should not consider the case because the holding of the hostages was "a marginal and secondary aspect of an overall problem." problem".

Mr. Sadeg Qorbzadeh, the Iranian Foreign Minister, had stated that the court could not

examine the American applica-tion divorced from its proper context described as "all the crimes perpetrated in Iran by the American Government". But according to the court if the Iranian Government considers the alleged activities of the United States legally to have a close connexion with the subject matter" it remains open to that government to present

regarding those activities.
The court said: "The instithe court said: "The insti-tute of diplomacy with its con-comitant privileges and immun-ities has withstood the test of centuries and proved to be an instrument essential for effect-ive cooperation in the inter-national community".

Larsen wins chess cup

Buenos Aires. Dec 16.—Bent Larsen, the Danish grandmaster, won the Clarin Cup chess tournament here with a three-point lead over his closest competi-

Anthony Miles of Brimin, Miguel Najdorf of Argentina, Boris Spassky of the Soviet Union, and Ulf Andersson of Sweden, shared the second place.—Reuter.



Salisbury politicians expect accord

Salisbury, Dec 16 In spite of the renewed deadlock in the London talks over ceasefire arrangements in Southern Rhodesia, there is widespread confidence in political circles here that the Patriotic Front will agree to

the British proposals. Dr Silas Mundawarara, the former Deputy Prime Minister who led the Salisbury delega-tion in the last days of the Lancaster House talks, said on his return here today that he was confident the Patriotic Front would "eventually come in." However, he expressed doubts over whether the Patriotic Front really wanted a peaceful and democratic solution or intended to impose through war and intimidation. "refabricated governmental structures based on foreign

Mr Christopher Sakala, s spokesman for Bishop Abel Muzorewa's United African National Council, accused the Patrionic Front of repeating its delaying tactics and said: "In the final analysis it will sign".

Mr Dennis Diveris, a senior member of the Rhodesian Front Partie Front Parties Fron Party, said the Parriotic Front would sign when it had infil-trated enough of its guerrillas into the country to influence the way people vote in the thial areas.

The belief that the Patriotic Front will not allow itself to be left out of a final agreement was reinforced by the announce-ment that the United States was to end sanctions against Southern Rhodesia at midnight tonight. This will greatly

increase the pressures on the Rhodesia, but with the con-Patriotic Front and its backers, the "front line" states, to par-ticipate in a settlement.

Meanwhile, it has been learnt that the UANC is to put whites.

up as candidates for the 20 white seats in the proposed 100-sear Parliament. The names of the candidates will be announced shortly. In terms of the Constitution agreed at Lancaster House, black parties can put up white candidates for the 20 seats elected by white. coloured and Asian voters, and white parties can put up black candidates for the 80 seats elected by black voters.

The aim of the UANC is to try to prevent the Rhodesian Front from gaining all 20 white seats, as seems likely at present. The Rhodesian Front has published a series of revised principles and policies drawn up by a five-member committee headed by Mr Rowan Cronje, former Deputy Minister of Land and Rural Development. The document attempts to change the party's racial image

servation of a strong and pros-perous democratic sovereign state opposed to communism Mr Ian Smith, the party's leader, said it had been " realistic enough to accept change and adapt ourselves. We do not believe changes mean we have to accept surrender and collapse as far as the white man is con-

cerned. Communist victory": Smith, commenting on the outcome of the Lancaster House conference, said: "In the last 20 years, the Communists have been-trying in vain to destroy - nivance of Lord Carrington and the British Foreign Office, they have succeeded. It is a victory for Communism." —Agence Zambia bopeful: President Kenneth Kaunda of Zambia

indicated today that he thought a peaceful solution could be reached in Southern Rhodesia. Addressing a political con-ference in Lusaka, he said: "I am delighted to open this conference at a time when I can see hope for Zimbabwe after 14 years of protracted war ".-Reuter. US. lifts sanctions: President

Carter yesterday howed to pressure from Congress and London and decreed the ending of sanctions against Southern Rhodesia, The decision comes into effect at midnight tonight, (our Washington correspondent

writes).
The British had strongly urged the Americans to lift sanctions, now that the linitateral Declaration of Independ ence has been abandoned. Britain criticized: Mr Blaise Rabetafika, chairman of the African Group at the United Nations, denounced Britain's lifting of sanctions against Southern Rhodesia as "completely unacceptable and illegal" without approval from he Security Council.—Reuter. Leading article, page 13

Correction

Owing to an error in transmission it was incorrectly stated in Saturday's newspaper that more than 100 people were understood to be awaiting execution in Southern Rhodesia. This figure

Israel balks at transfer of power to Arabs

Tel Aviv. Dec 16 On the eve of negotiations on the powers to be given the pro-posed autonomous council for the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, Dr Yosef Burg, the chief suggestion made by Dr Mustopha Khalil, his Egyptian counterpart, that all the powers held by the Israelis should be

Not all the powers of the military Government will be Mrs Annie Perry recently transferred and those powers to started having visions of the be transferred will not be trans-ferred automatically " Dr Burg

such as water resources, would have to be controlled jointly with Israel. As for security, Dr Burg said that "nobody can be a partner because it is our life."

Cabinet today reviewed recent developments in the Middle East, including events in Iran and a report of a big American arms sale to Saudi Arabia The session was highly secret and no details have been disclosed. Officials have expressed con-

cern at a reported announcement today by Prince Sultan Ibn Abdul-Aziz, the Saudi Defence and Aviation Minister, that Saudi Arabia had concluded £60m arms deal with the United States The deal is reported to in-

The deal is reported to include 6.500 rockets and bombs for Saudi Arabia's 114 F5 fighter-bombers, 660 air-to-vir Sidewinder missiles and 916 air-to-surface missiles.—Reuter.

Visions find an 'Agatha Christie? murderer

From Patrick Brogen

Washington, Dec 16
A particularly gruesome mur-der has been uncovered in North Carolina, in circum-stances very similar to Agatha Caristie's last novel. Sleeping Murder, In the book, a woman returns to her childhood home, where events trigger memories when steens digger memories when she saw the murdered body of her mother.

In the North Carolina case,

be transferred will not be transferred automatically." Dr Burg said in a radio interview tonight. The powers and responsibilities would be decided by the negotiations, he said.

Dr Burg added, however, that the proposed council could fully the proposed council could full the proposed council coul time her father disappeared in April, 1944. She was then 10.

father's body almost naked in an unused room. During the night she heard "butchering sounds". The family lived on a farm, and had an outside privy. In the following week, when us ag the privy she locked down the hole and saw her father's face

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floating. Her mother, Mrs Winn's Cameron, reported her husband missing and in due course obtained a divorce, on grounds

of desertion.
When the daughter recently

When the daughter recently began to have "visions" she went to a psych acrist who sent her to the police.

They took the matter seriously enough to obtain a search warrant. She took them to the site of the privy, where they due and found human bones.

On Friday afteroing 1.2

Dresden Tintoretto 'bought for four bottles of vodka

From Moshe Brilliant Tel Aviv, Dec 16

The Tintoretto painting miss-ing from the Dresden Museum since 1945, which an Israeli art dealer allegedly tried to sell in New York last week for \$120,000, had been acquired for four bottles of vodks, a Tel Ariv newspaper reported today. A Jew from the Soviet Republic of Georgia, obtained it from a former Red Army soldier and Soviet customs examiners did not recognize its raine when it took it with him while emigrating three years ago, acco according to

The newspaper gave its New York.

Mr Raymond Vinokur, the art dealer who bought the work from the immigrant and was arrested when he offered to sell it to an undercover agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

source vaguely as friends of

Mr Vinokur was also an immigrant from the Soviet Union. Police beadquarters in Jerusalem said that Interpol had reported that the man had no criminal record. The police here had not been requested to investigate and have not searched for Mr Joseph Silber-man, named by Mr Vinokur as the supplier of the painting, according to press reports from

Ringaway merrily this Christmas, but spare a thought for the operator.

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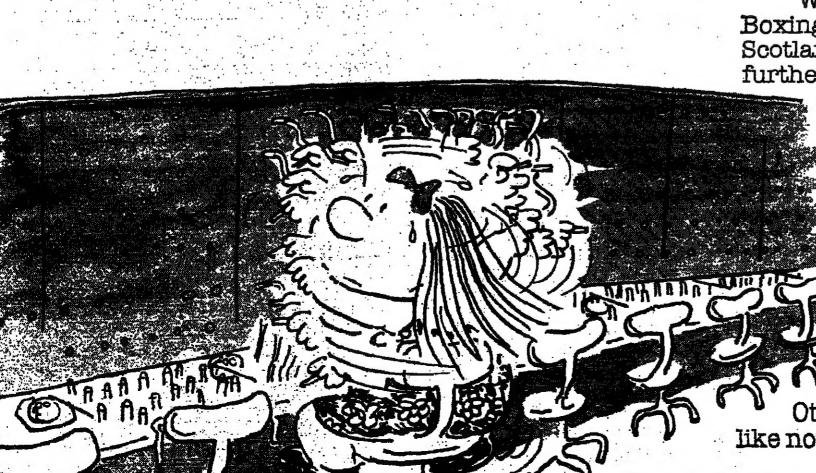
Many of our operators will be celebrating with their families, too.

So on Christmas Day (New Year's Day in Scotland) operators will deal only with 999 calls and others such as radiophone calls which cannot normally be dialled.

There will be no Directory Enquiry service but, of course in cases of real distress operators will help with any type of call or enquiry.

Otherwise you can jingle bells as much as you like now the whole country's on STD.

Post Office Telecommunications



PLO leaders killed in Cyprus ambush given Beirut honours

Nicosia, Dec 16.—The bodies of two senior Palestinian vities of Israeli agents in Liberation Organization officials killed in an ambush here yesterday were flown to Beirut today on a scheduled flight of Campus Alexander to the immediate of the immediate. Cyprus Airways.

The two men were Ali Salem Ahmed, also known as Ali Samir, second secretary of the PLO diplomatic mission in Cyorus, and Ibrahim Abdul Aziz, codenamed Abu Sufwat who, according to PLO sources here, was in charge of sabotage operations on the West Bank.

Both men were shot at point blank range and the assassins who, police said, had used silencers on their weapons, escaped in a hired car. Police have a description of one of the men

the men.

A police checkpoint less than 100 yards from the shooting had heard nothing, and the first indication of the incident was when Mrs Samir's Greek Cypriot wife, Kyproulla, started to scream for help.

Mr Safwat was said to be on a special mission as the personal envoy of Mr Yassir Arafat the PLO leader.

Dr Vassos Lyssarides, leader of the pro-Palestinian Greek

of the pro-Palestinian Greek Cypriot Socialist Party, Edek, in a statement published in his own daily newspaper Ta Nea, demanded the "immediate clo-sure" of the Israeli Embassy claiming that the identity of the killers was obvious. He said: "We have long ago, reported to the Govern-

Prisoners of

conscience

Colombia:

By Clifford Longley
Dr German Bolancs Mejia
was arrested last May in
Colombia, after this house had
been searched and books and

papers, confiscated by the

authorities.

He is detained in the prison at Manizales, Caldas, according to information reaching Amnesty International in London, and is accused of "having

created a medicines cooperative with persons considered to

be members of subversive groups, and having provided medical attention to alleged

members of guerrilla move-

He had been working among peasants in the Colombian countryside near Neira and Quinchia. Dr Bolanos is undestant

stood to have no political affili-ation, but four years ago be set

up a number of "medicines cooperatives" as an alterna-

tive to the local chemist's shop, which charged high prices. He later worked in a "health

brigade", an experimental medical service for noor peasants who could not afford

to see a doctor in town, both

because of poverty and of

Dr Bolanos, who is 30, is apparently awaiting trial before court martial, which, it is understood, has been post-poned several times.

China announces

of Peking bishop

Peking, Dec 16.—Peking's first Catholic bishop since 1964.

who has giready been rejected

Father Sun Shagen said at Mass today that the conse-cration ceremony for Mar Lichael Fu Tieshan would be

of the Chinese Catholic Church.

on fuly 25 at a meeting of the Peking Patriotic Catholic ruly 45 et a meeting of the Peking Patriotic Catholic Association, to succeed Mer Joseph Yao Guangyu, who died in 1964.

Mer Fu was elected bishop

Relations between China and

the Vatican have been suspen-ded since the 1950s.

consecration

distance.

Dr Bolanos

Mejia

"We demand the immediate closure of the Israeli Embassy here as this horrible crime is directed not only against the brotherly Palestinian people but also against Cyprus."

At present two Palestinians are serving life sentences in Nicos a's top security prison,

for the murder in February, 1978, of Yusif al-Sibai, editor of the Cairo newspaper Al Aliram and a close personal

rieud of President Sadat.

In Beirut the bodies were met at the international airport by a silent parade of senior Palestinian officers and hundreds of guerrilles clad in their harrladges.

their battledress.

The guerrillas wrapped the coffins in the black, white and green Palestinian flag before driving them to Beirur in two ambulances. Mourners followed in a car procession to the city.

An official statement from an official statement from the public information office said Mr George Pelaghias, the director general of the Cyprus Foreign Ministry, flew to Beirut with the coffins accompanied by Mr Zakaria Adulpanied by Mr Zakaria Adulpanier the PLO representation Rachim, the PLO represent-

ative here.
Mr Pelaghias called on Mr Arafat and conveyed the per-sonal condokences of President Kyprianou, the statement added.—UPI.

Egypt puts up price of petrol

Cairo, Dec 16.—Dr Mustapha Khalil, the Egyptian Prime Minister, today increased the prices of petrol, cigarettes and soft drinks in an attempt to reduce the country's big deficit and maintain subsidies on essential goods.

essential goods.
Presenting his Government's annual policy statement to Plarliament, he said expenditure in the 1980 general budget would total £27,765m (55,100m). Income would be EE6,789m, leaving a deficit of £E975m.

Western economic experts say, however, that the deficit for 1979 is likely to e close to EE2,000m and would climb in

Dr Khalil said subsidies on such items as wheat, flour, rice, maize, edible oil, horse beans, lentils, frozen meat and cooking gas would remain. A Government attempt to abolish the subsidies led to bloody riots in January, 1977.
Increases ranged from 6
piastres (almost 4p) on imported cigarettes t o2 piastres

on petrol. on petrol.

Dr Khalil also announced that about a million of Egypt's population of 41 million will lose their ration cards.

Those affected include Egyp-

tians working abroad, those with more than 10 acres of land and private sector employees earning more than EE1,200 a year. Unofficial esti-mates put total savings from this measure at around £E30m. Dr Khalil also announced trcreases of 28.2 per cent in the 1980 salaries of Government and public sector employees.

The increases roughly keep pace with inflation estimated

Defectors say Vietnam is running Kampuchea

From Xavier Baron, of Agence France-Presse

Sok Sand; Kampuchea, Dec 16 "I worked for several months in the administration of Mr Heng Samerin to find out what the Viethamese really want to do in Kampuchea, I became convinced that they want to conquer the country. Then I left."

Mr. Hing Kunthon, who is 50 and was a blank president until the Khmer Rouge came to power in 1975, explained why he decided to leave Mr Heng Samrin's pro-Vietnamese regime. in Phaom Pents to join the Khmer People's National Liberation From here in the Cardamom mountains.

ean officials and intellectuals, he welcomed the fail of the he welcomed the fall of the Khmer Rouge regime in January. Under it he had been part of a "pedalling" team powering the irrigation system on the shores of the Tonle Sap. When he returned to Phnom Penh the Vietnamese called on his administrative talents.

"I was put in charge of food distribution to the 50,000 inhabitants of the Frek Leap district near Phnom Penh", he said. "I soon realized that it

said. "I soon realized that it was not the Cambodian district leader who made the final deci-sions, but his Vietnamese 'counsellor' who was none ther than the head of the local

The counsellor regularly reduced the amount of rice he requested. "In reality only members of the administration had the right to a regular ration: 28 lb a month which took the place of a salary and was used in barter."

In July, Mr Kunthon was summoned to Phnom Penh to reorganize the banking system.

He ignored the invitation, not wanting to continue "in the service of the Vietnamese", and left Phnom Penh in

A similar story is told by the former medical head of the Battambang Hospital in western Kampuchea, who recently arrived in Sok Sann.

He was invited early in the was invited early in the vear to take charge of the hospital in Kamouchea's second city, but he said "at the end of three months a Vietnamese counsellor arrived who was not

even a doctor ".

The attitude of the Vietnames become increasingly unbearable. "They got hold of medical supplies dating back to 1975 and gave them to the hospital, amid great ceremony, saying they were a gift from the Vietnamese people. But some of them still bore the words: Made in Kampuchea." A few weeks ago Mr Kang Sanerat, the vice-president of the Vietnamese-supported regime's penmanent committee

for Phnom Penh, arrived in Theiland. The number of defections is impossible to determine, he-Phnom Penh administration, often anonymously, join the hundreds of thousands of refusees along the country's border with Therland, or join an anti-Vietnamese resistance

According to the Kinner National Liberation Front, which is led by Mr Son Sann, which is left by Mr Son Sann, a former Kampuchean Prime Minister, 13 senior officials have joined the movement in recent weeks — engineers, administrators, professors, a captain and a doctor.

Doctors in Biko case fail to block medical inquiry

From Our Correspondent

Johannesburg, Dec 15 Disciplinary action could be taken against two of the state doctors who attended Steve Biko, the Black Consciousness leader who died from brain damage while being detained by the security police in 1978. who has arready been rejected by the Varican, will be conse-crated in the city's south Cathedral on Friday, the New Cuma news agency said today it is the first time such a religious event has been announced in China in advance.

A Pretoria judge has dis-missed an application by De Benjamin Tucker, chief district surgeon of Port Elizabeth, and Dr Ivor Lang, principal district surgeon of Port Elizabeth who had tried to stop the South African Mental and Dental Council from inquiring into

The council will now ask the doctors to complete a question-naire arising out of complaints from Mr Eugene Roelofse, ombudsman of the South African Council of Churches. He was acting on information from re-ports of the inquest on Mr Biko

A third doctor named at the Bike inquest, Dr Colin Hirsch, was not mentioned nor repre-

whether or not there are grounds for a hearing by the disciplinary committee.

At the inquest on Mr Bikn a magistrate found that he died from massive brain damage in a

late in 1978.

In October, the state granted
In the Pretoria Palace of the Biko family 65,000 Rand
Justice, counsel for the doctors, about £47,000

instructed by the State Attor-ney, claimed that the council had not inherent powers and that the complaints by Mr Roelofse were "not concise or specific "

sented at the hearing.

As a result of the roling the doctors can choose whether or The matter will then be considered by a sub-committee of the council which will decide

Pretoria prison cell after being driven naked and manacier (**0) miles from Port Elizabeth in the back of a police truck. He found that no one was to bizme for his death.

More acceptable look for apartheid

From Ray Kennedy Johannesburg, Dec 16

Mr P. W. Botha, the South African Prime Minister, today called for a subtle change of emphasis by Afrikaners towards the Day of the Covenant, the most solemn day in their calender.

It commemorates the Battle of Blood River in Natal on December 16, 1838, when the Zulu war lord, Dingaan, was finally defeated and overthrown by the Voortrekkers.

Although it is a deeply religious anniversary the Day of the Covenant has long been

Mr Botha today called for the religious meaning of the day to be fully restored and his remarks were seen by many as encompassing his political policies to give a new, more accept. Christian country and should be

Significantly, also, Dr Andries Treurnicht, the Transvaal leader of the National Party and Mini-ter of Public Works, Tourism and Statistics, who is regarded as an ideological hardliner, echoed Mr Botha's thoughts in another Day of the Covenant speech in Preteria. Mr Botha said at Illovo, a seaside resort near Durban, that

the Day of the Covenant was not a symbol of Afrikaner superiority or a triumph of white over black, but of the willingness of the Afrikaner to

"The true meaning of Blood the Covenant nas roug regarded by many Afrikaners as a symbol of white superiority River was that prayer and the Word of God triumphed which made a new future possible for us," he said.

He admitted that the times were "bewildering" but said that South Africa was a

able look to the doctrine of kept that way. "We must direct and form South Africa according Significantly, also, Dr Andries to our Christian conscience." This concerned everyone in the country, not only "you and me as Afrikaners or you and me as whites. If the different peoples of this country want to continue to survive alongside each other in peace, the pre-requisite for this is the accept ance of the Christian message and the recognition of each

others' cultures, language and other rights." Dr Trenrpicht also emphasised that the Day of the Covenant should be treated as a religious festival rather than a

celebration of a victory.

The Government, like the early Voortrokkers, believed in the diversity of peoples and each person's right to his own identity. "God has a specific task for each nation and that is not its own destruction but its continued existence," Dr industry is about to produce a remarkable success story on the grand scale after the recent glarm and despondency from British Shipbuilders, British Leyland and British Steel. The oldest industry of their all, the one which originally made the others possible, has quietly begun a revival. Coal is coming back.

industry is about to produce a remarkabl

In the present depressed climate of the raditional industries it is difficult to imagine an atmosphere in which British managers and British union leaders vie with each other for the bonour of being the more bullish about the future and in which both pression lead for the bonour of being the more bullish about the future and in which both pression lead for the second in the control of the second in the se decades but to three centuries of pros perity and success. At the moment, how ever, the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM) leads the National Coal Board (NCB) by a length in optimism over the future of coal

Naturally both organizations know which Naturally both organizations know which side their bread is buttered, and there is doubtless an element of wish-fulfilment in their relatively new-found high spirits. They also tend to play down complaints from their principal customers about prices, ouality and availability. Yet fresh evidence of a measurable upswing in the fortunes of coal is accumulating all the time, even if it is ton early conclude the even appropriate to decline

to conclude that a generation of decline has made way for a permanent expansion. If these recent improvements in performance can be maintained and built; upon beyond the short term tight the medium terms one must conclude first all the in-dustry needs to do so sum easily to a new promised land is to your light the oil runs out, nucleur power or as

There are three main internal indica-tors of the condition of the coal industry. The first productivity, is ricing, and at an accelerating rate. In the first 35 weeks of the current financial year, it was up 0.7 per cent over the same period of the previous year, and in the last 13 weeks was 4.6 per cent up compared with

it was at par cent up compared with last year.

The second indicator is absence a term which includes absence as the last non appearance at work, because of injury, illness, and all other causes. It was down 1.8 per cent at 14.7 per cent in the first 35 weeks of this year as compared with the same period last many and this trend is also exceleration.

is also accelerating.

The third is recruitment. In the first,
35 weeks of the last financial year there. was a net loss of manower (was age over recruitment) of 7,069 men. This time there was a net gain of 423 men even though the early retirement scheme for miners has only recently come into full

miners has only recently come into full operation.

This scheme has contributed to an encouraging fall in the overage age of Britain's 230,000 miners to 37, compared with 40-plus a year ago. The industry's safety record is also improving, with the overall accident rate reaching an all-time low in the financial year 1978-9.

The NCB's trading profit is also in good health (£121m in 1978-9 compared with £109m the year before). Only the severe weather and industrial disputes outside the industry prevented the achievement of a modest but encouraging overall profit lant financial year of £10m; there was instead

modest but encouraging overall profit last financial year of £10m; there was instead an overall loss of £19m.

But the coal industry is still far from boing self-financing. In order to modernize and adapt inself root and branch, the NCB has embarked on a vast reconstruction programme requiring an investment this financial year of some £600m (compared with £454m list year and £334m the year before). The board is putting up between 20 and 30 per cent of this and the taxpayer the rest. The money is going on new collieries, new techniques and new applications.

Sir Derek Erra, chairman of the NCB; feels very strongly that the industry is not getting the considerable credit he believes it its due. Indeed if he were not such a mild-mannered man one might, describe

is its due. Indeed if he were not such a mild-mannered man one might, describe its feelings on the subject as passionate. "We are creating a new industry", he said. "We are carrying out one of the most extensive exercises of industrial rejuvenation in history." The NUM has been pleasantly surprised by the relative vehemence of Sir Derek's recent public atternances on the importance and claim to priority of the coal industry.

The NCB believes the industry, now, producing about 120 million tonnes of coal a year, can confortably look forward to

a year, can comfortably look forward to selling 150 million tonnes by the end of the present revival programme agreed by Government, management and unions originally for the period up to 1985 but since extended to 2000. It could they feel, easily be more. This is where the NCM outbids the board: it believes that by the end of the century there will be a market for coal of 200 million tounes a year (which is still considerably less than what was being produced as recently as 20 years

To acquire some idea of how the industry is moving into the future, I visited Royston Drift colliery near Barnxier, South Yorkshire, freely canceded by all con-cerned to be a showplace among Britain's

Suddenly,

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cerned to be a showplace among isratar's 221 active coalmines.

It is sufficiently cerie for a pempered city-dweller to find himself crawking on all fours through a hole in a coal seam 165 metres long (the NCB went metric some time ago), about 75 cm high and 1.5 metres wide, which he knows will be allowed to

cave in later the same day.

The experience becomes positively surreal when you meet a miner crawling (much faster) in the opposite direction who (much taster) in the opposite direction who wishes you an elaborate "Good morning " as if you were passing each other in the rather more spacious corridors of a Pall Mall club. It is healthily humbling to discover afterwards that he probably makes that journey at least a dozen times a day, five each a week.

The extraction process at Royston is so simple that even the least tedfnically-minded visitor can grasp at once what is and a new and apparently insatiable coal-cutting technique which mechanises every-thing from the coalface to delivery as the

In the old days, the economics were different. The great initial investment in degree versial amesballs made it essen-

degring virtual immessatis mane it essential robbings as much of the best coal as possible to the suiface as soon as practicable with the result that, as the plus and older used forms still incure are 180 years said, the coalrace moved farther and ruthles away from the shaft.

At Reastan this procedure its, been reversed one of those strakes of "lateral flinking," which are obvious once they sie it in promition but somehow took an entrangemental fong time to arrive. You locate the semi first. Then you dive two timels on askier side of the emire length of it and install fite lates coal-cutter at the fan and Ar Royston it is a German macking which Britain produces a similar system.

The machine then proceeds to work backwards afte a sputtle in a loom, across the conventionly broad seam, allowing the earliest workings to collapse as the cutter chews its way to the near end of the

earliest wiffings to collapse as the current chewrite way to the near end of the seam. The saying in moter and time, need no forther explanation but the tethnique does not work everywhere. In some of the pirs in the North East which so out under the North Sea, the distance from pitherd to coalface is so enormous that a faceworker spends only three bours per shift helping to cut cool, which forner selft helping to cut coal, which for-tunately happens to be of very high quality. The rest of his time is spent getting to and from the coal.

Literal thinking at Royston has been encouraged by the fact that the coalseam is, at the currently exploited coalface, only

92 metres below the surface. It is a drift-mine, which is to say you approach the roal at a gentle slope from the side, laterally, rather than through an expensive shaft vertically. This means that extracrion is much faster and cheaper and can be done by means of a simple conveyer

I was taken to the face by Mr Chirls I was taken to the face by Mr Chits' Round, an ebuilient colliery members whose obysique does not belie he surgame but whose energy and agility most certainly do. He thoughtfully provided everything necessary for the journey, from miner's headlemp to overlarge wellies, via four layers of NCB clothing starting with non-outlier modical underwess.

The most remarkable aspect of the crawl through the scam was the ventile-tion. When I went down a coalmine last: in county Durham dearly 29 years ago, I could hardly see in front of my face for coal dust. Crawling through the Royaum seam, I had to breathe very deeply to be able to smell coal at all. It was a noticeable improvement on the London Under-

Even if you are dressed exactly as they Even if you are dressed exactly as they are the professionals instantly recognize an ignorant tourist (probably because he is busily engaged in trying not to strangle himself wire the cable from the battery on his lain to see here on his head) and push you gently but firmly back as the away some cost cutting head suddenly chewsits your arrist your path and stoos.

The trick then is to push the entire machine with its armoured coal carrying track two feet forward, reverse the cavil over the custing head and send it off in the oponsite direction as orickly as pos-sible. There is a small hitch and the language rises and thickens.

language rises and thickens.

The seven men who run the cutter are exceptionally keen to maintain the flow of coal on to the conveyor, and it is cer-tainly not just the money from the incentive beaus scheme introduced less year which makes them so. Morale in this pit is obviously high and feeds on itself, lass July, a seven-man coalince team broke the world productivity record. In October, another team broke it again with the incredible output of 352.85 tonnes per man per shift.

credible output of \$52.85 tonnes per man per strift.

Mr Archur Scargill, missest Yorkstere miners leader has expressed missivings about the productivity payment scheme introduced kist year and its possible effects in standards of safety and working conditions. The Roysson faceworkers are, however, far from becoming Stakhanovites, even if they tend to come to work early and leave late, and also not to make spomuch use about breaks, in order to be able to seep up their earnings by high productivity. I saw them working very hard indeed, but I would not venture as to underestimate the intelligence of these magnificant men with their cutting machines as to suspect that they were tutting safety corners to make more money.

money.

How much money is a question to which
I found no answer. The basic rule factor
faceworker is now f192 a week, which nobody who has ever seen a coalface could-possibly begrudge him. The incentive bonus cass not depend on how much coal he produces but on how much more coal he produces than management and unions have agreed is a fair output for each pit and its conditions.

In theory, therefore, a miner in an old colliery where productivity is much lower than at Royston for historical and technical reasons is not at a disadvantage compared with his colleagues in the new generation of "superpits" But it seems clear marify the latest machines function at hid capacity for long periods wathout a histh and if the faceworkers are in a record-breaking mood, they can perhaps double their earnings in a good week without overtime. Nobody demaed this moory. Although Royston is busy 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and one shift of the three per day produces coal. The ganet law are used at present for maintanance and development.

Sir Derek Ezra stresses that coal has the inestimable advantage over all other. In theory, therefore, a miner in an old

Sir Dorek Eara stresses that coal has the inestimable advantage over all other energy sources, except perhaps oil with its hinted future, of Elezibility, Nucleur energy's sole product, he stressed, was heat. Coal could provide once again a source of gas, a substitute by figurefaction processes now being mied for crude sil for existing oil refineries and all manner of other basic materials, not only in the energy field.

The NCE is actively studying electronic.

energy field.

The NCB is actively studying electronic control of mining, which makes it quite likely that Britain is sitting not merely on 300 years of energy available to existing techniques, but on 1,000 years if machines can be nushed forward into the humanly intolerable hot seams deep under the North Sea.

intolerable hot seams deep under the North Sea.

The Central Electricity Generating Board and the British Steel Corporation which respectively account for 70 and 10 per cent of NOB sales have been importing coal from America and Australia because it is cheaper, despite the diatances involved, than unitie coal.

The NUM was, if anything, dutrier to counter this embatrassing fact even than the NCB Imported coal, said a union official, rended to be from opencals mines or strip mines which were much cheaper in rid than Britain's mainly deep mined pits. In world terms, such reserves were some limited, and shipping rates were bound to go up with the dil-protected pound.

pound.

The NCB said that Britain had considerable reserves of opencast coal which had to stay in the ground because of environmental objections. The advantages for the CEGB and BSC were switchy shorters and postrible shortered and postrible shortered. for the CEGB and BSC were suricily shortterm and possibly short-sighted. We have
no way of turning the tap on and off at
will ", said Sir Derek. We need to have
long-term deals with the power and steel
industries". He added that the letest NCB
blending techniques. "just like res"
could provide all manner of coal for all
manner of specialized needs.
Whatever leads and lags there may be,
coal is a safe ber for the future. An
industry immune from the alling dellar,
the Ayatoliah and the Warsaw Part, run
by managers from the same social background as miners and thus exempt from

ground as miners and thus exempt from class conflict, and sixting on limitless reserves is rather well equipped to cope with future energy demands.

Small wonder that 43 countries have sent delegations to Britain to look at the industry. Britain has now to sirile the right balance between the vast advantages of her cost reserves and the environmental considerations which are the principal restraint upon their exploitation. Thus the current Vale of Belvar planning inquiry is crucial for the future of coal. class conflict, and sitting on limitless

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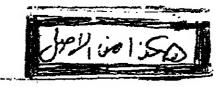
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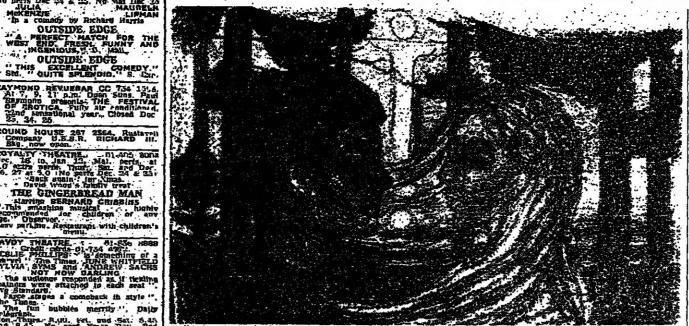
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the coffee-table art book seems finally to be dying books of that kind, big expensive, to be left lying around and casually looked at rather than closely examined, let alone read, are now devoted almost exclusively now devoted almost exclusively to photography past and present. A very few big middle-brow books on art still come out, but for the most part the market is polarized between the slim, cheapish (55-56) big format monograph, often paperback, with everything in colour to give you a quick impression of a particular painter or school or gaine; and the more serious kind of text, more or less illustrated depending on subject and approach, but basically meant to document to speculate, to ento document to speculate to co-liven our minds as well as just

our eyes. True, there are still a few books which boldly try to appeal to the two audiences with one lavish yet literate package. Among those which have most successfully done so in the past few months is.
Edward Munch: The Man and
the Artist, by Ragna Stang
(Gordon Fraser, £35). Mrs Stang was for some years the curator of the Munch Museum in Osio, and few could be better qualified to write the life of this strange, obsessed man or give an informed critique of his life-work. The book is superbly produced, with admirable colour reproductions on almost every page an important factor with this artist, for whom colour was such a vital expressive element -and the text manages to cut a clear line through the tangles of Munch's glum emotional life and complex of semi-private symbols, to illuminate without

One could hardly greater contrast in art then that sudden recognition, she fek herbetween Munch's haunted self go cold, the tiny hairs on vision and the bright, breezy, the back of her neck bristling unquenchably cheers world of at the thought ...") between Edward Bawden. Douglas: Percy Lowry and the reader. All the

over-simplifying.

Curiously enough, the vogue of Bliss's biography, Edward Bawden (Pendomer, £17.50) does however rival the Munch book in its apt combination of pica lifelong bachelor with an ideal (although sometimes rather sadistic) passion for young ture book and good read. It soon becomes evident, too, from the account of Mr. Bliss, a close friend of Bawden's since college girls, a professional rent-col-lector (that was how he actually made his living until retirement aga), a dedicated painter who days, that the artist has his own line in eccentricity, much of it brusquely denied any kind of serious involvement with the expressed in extreme instances of the British passion for underpainter's art, evasive, contradictory and sometimes lying in his accounts of himself, Lowry prestatement. In particular, his accounts of his experiences as a War Artist, being torpedoed and sents a real conundrum to the biographer. At least Miss Ronde marching hundreds of miles across the desert (he who norgots together all the materials for a solution. across the desert the won normally hardly cared to set foot outside Essex) have just the right unselfconscious antic charm. As might indeed he said for his wiry, witty drawings of the English scene and his vivid reactions (when compalled to the examples of for-The volumes in the Yala University Press series Studies in British Art are seldom

what you might call easy reading, but they do usually throw a lot of light into dork corners of are before, and the two latest. William Rolman Hunt and Typological Symbolism, by George P. Landow (114) and Gorman Romanticism. pelled) to the grandeurs of for-eign parts—all of them immaculately reproduced in one of the most beautifully designed books to come out of a commercial (£14) and German Romanticism and English Art, by William Vaughan (£22,50) are no exceppublisher for a very long time. If Bawden is an odd bird. Stapley Spencer and L. S. tion, Hunt could stand as the very type of the carnest Vic-Lowry were considerably odder. torian, and his high-principled, totally humourless are reassured Sir John Rothenstein's Stanley Spencer. The Man: Corresponthe Victorian public as much as dence and Reminiscences (Elek, £8.85) gives us, through the skilful assembling of letters it challenged them. Mr Landow is concerned mainly with how this came about: how Hunt frem (and occasionally to) Spencer and the recollections of friends, neighbours and busimeant his paintings to be read, and how they were in fact understood. In the process he tells us a lot about the Victorian ness contacts, an oddly compel-ling picture of a mon at once sensibility as wall as exactly what the painter of "The Light of the World" thought he was up to. We tend to forget now impossible and irresistible. Sir John was no doubt right to leave in the rumble of com-plaint and the in-fighting which seems to characterize his inhow important were the artistic relations between England and formancs as well as his subject; Germany in the earlier nineit makes for curious but lively reading. Shelley Rohde, in her A Private View of L. S. Lowry (Collins, 18.50) tends to inter-polate, overheated journalese ("Then, with an awful chill of teenth century, but Mr Vaughan tells us and shows us (vividly, in well-chosen pictures) how close the two were, and what shaping forces on England and

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Ralph Richardson

The Wild Duck Olivier

Irving Wardle

For both settings of The Wild Duck, Ibsen specified a stage divided between a realistic foreground and a dreamlike background area. On Ralph Koltai's

This is not the first time that a director has taken Hialmar Ekdal's profession as a way into the play, photography forming an apt central focus for the images of blindness, illusion, self-deception, and the collisions of moral perception which make The Wild Duck so slippery a work to grasp. The key images also stend out with great clarity in Christopher Hampton's translation, and none more so than the central duel between Gregers's false idealism, and Highman's equally false impulse to surround bimself with pretty

pictures of reality.
What one looks for, mainly in vain, is any strong link between the conceptualized setting and the performance of Christopher Morahan's company. With some exceptions which we will come to in a minute, the first half of the show plunges us right back into mutton-chop whisker Ibsen. Guests for the first act party. consist of an adonymous troupe of bearded worthles who croco-dile in and out under the direction of a matronly Mrs Sorby, heard off-stage entertaining the company with some very severe party pieces. And when we get fiths supply orthodox portraits to the game of blind against of loving female subservience, buff (a marvellous opportunity which the men (and indeed for extending the rextual imaginary into scenic action), it is this version it is definitely the over in a flash. Movement is men's show.

Photograph by Donald Goope

woodenly dignified, with speak-ers advancing and retreating from each other as they make or receive points of argument. And very little is made of Hjalmar's social humiliation in the midst of the tokay-sipping

Serring aside the play's thematic ambiguities, there is problem in defining its real-Reality is Hjalmar bringing Hedvig a menu instead of something to eat: it is Hjalmar coming down to earth and ask-ing for his hat in the midst of ground are complemented by a coming down to earth and askground are complemented by a
giant montage of photographic
plates, presenting a forest in
receding perspective of positive
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This is not the first time that characters have been established. It also maintains an extremely scrupulous line between the farcical egoism of Stephen Moore's Hjalmar and

its fatal consequences.

The tone of the production is set by Sir Ralph Richardson as Old Ekdal, first seen spryly threading his way through the guests and making his exit with an appalled questioning look at his son who studiously ignores bim.
Of the central folio à deux

partners, Michael Bryant offsets Greger's creepiness by radiating generous friendship. ... One can also credit his fascination with Mr Moore's Hjalmar, still preserving the manner of a hopeful young genius after 15 years in the protection of two submissively uncritical women. When Mr Moore does break late in the play, it is with the epic howl of anguish which few English actors can rival. It is also his gift to make lightning descents from that level to the gesturestriking absurdities leading up to Hedvig's suicide. Yvonne Erverland (Gina) and Eva Grif-

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Henry IV BBC 2

and German life.

Michael Church

valent snobberies, and nowhere more so than with productions of Shakespeare. Lest week as the BBC Television Shakespeare swung once more into action. the snobs were hard at it, attacking the series with their prize weapons—long memories ("Not a patch on Olivier in '35 !") and the latest fads "Where have they been all these years? Don't they ever go to the Aldwych?"). And The South Bank Show has rubbed things in: hot on the heels of Cedric Messins, Treynr Numa has been showing us Shakespeare as she is currently spoke at the RSC (though, to do him justice, he is far less dortrinaire than some of his public champions).

The snobs, of course, have overlooked the problem: in a sense, they are the problem. The BBC's task has been to present Shakespeare not to audiences of a few hundred faithful but to millions both across the globe and down the years to come. Its job must be, to use an over-worked word, to demystify Shakespeare, to present him as accessibly as possible, to break down the psychological barriers which induce many to regard him as the property of a privileged few. The RSC have done sterling work in taking the Bard to new audiences, but as last night's programme showed their approach is often mannered in the extreme.

One could pick at small defects in the first two BBC Henry plays—obfuscatory flashbacks, erratic make-up—but nothing should be allowed to obscure the fact that they have been quietly, unflashing splandid logicity. unflashily splendid. Jon Finch. Polanski's admirable Macbeth, is now the BBC's no less admirable Henry IV, bringing in full measure the tortured, vacillat-ing dignity which his part requires. He delivers the great speeches with a musical strength which carries no implication of sound dominating вепле.

David Gwillim makes a conpincingly complex Prince Hall Tim Piggot-Smith a suitably fiery Hotspur, and Anthony Quayle's Falstaff compels joyful assent. This is the one justified indulgence in David Giles's lowkey direction: Quayle's outrageous confidences to camera work well as milestones in the plot. The rustic scenes in Part 2 have been a constant delight, with first-rate character acting by all concerned; the double act between Robert double act between Robert Eddison (Shallow) and Leslie French (Silence) was pure vir-

Roll or next Sunday

tuosity.

Welsh National Opera in London

Dominion

by Reginald Goodall's conducting and Peter Brenner's production. The staging is plain and duction. The staging is plain and direct, strongly focussed (like the music) on internal emotion, making much use of stilkness and very slow movement to impart an almost ritual-like quality to the loving of Tristan and Isolde. The same sense of the hieraric informs Act I, where Tristan's figure is seen, absolutely still, silhouetted against a lone sail until his appearance, when it looms appearance, when it looms frighteningly large before he is seen in person. The effect is powerful. Klaus Teepe's set, a flat surface with sloped sides, is equally apt as a ship's deck, a grassy bank (with trees creating a hazy distance) or a

castle courtyard (with stony stops and walls); John Water house's imaginative use of pools and shafts of light lends depth and atmosphere.

with its progressive climaxes of tension, seemed to be shoped as a single unit. Though there was some scrappy orchestral playing—few chords were unani-mously struck—there was also of warm phrasing and rich, saturated texture (despite the impossibility of true blend without a pit); at the heart of the love duet there was a wonderful tenderness and

This was echoed in the singing of Linda Esther Gray and John Mitchinson. Miss Gray is not-not yet-in the traditional mould of Wagnerian heroic sopranos. There is little of brilliance to her tone. But there is steadiness, fineness of line. a beautiful softness in her reflective singing, and a passionate glow in the love music and the augry outbursts; and there is intelligence and depth of feeling. She has a fine stage bearing. Mr Mitchinson's performance here and the stage of the stage o ance has been cruelly criticized, but he offers strength and masculinity, poetry in the love duet, and heroic feeling in Act III. Any want of subtlety or tonal variety is offset by his accuracy and a certain craggy grandeur. A word of praise too for the strong Kurwenal of Bent Norup, Anne Wilkens's eager. vmpatheric Brangäne Gwynne Howell's warm, noble, clearly enunciated King Mark.

MONDAY BOOKS

Tristan und Isolde/ Ernaci

Stanley Sadie

A company whose two latest productions are of the quality of those the WNO offered on Thursday and Saturday must indeed be in good fettle. These wars Fragnia new in October were Ernani, new in October, and Tristan und Isolde, from September: quite different in style and philosophy, alike only in excellence.

The Tristan is distinguished

depth and atmosphere.

Of a piece with this is Mr
Goodall's lyrical direction,
specious but not slow, characterized too by his command of
the huge time-spans of the
score: Act III in particular,

fluidity.

Ernani is the kind of opera the Welsh traditionally do best, with its rousing choruses—
superbly sung, by the men
especially—and its big tunes.
Richard Armstrong, who conducted is a fine Verdian: he
has a real feeling for the sheping of the lines and the pacing
of the music, he is helpful to
his singers and he drew precise
and routhmic playing from the and rbythmic playing from the

Like the worlds of opera and ballet, the theatre has its pre-Elija Mosbinsky's production stresses grandeur and gloom,

properly to a romantic opera set in early times. The clashes of personality and station come over forcefully. It draws much of its character from the imaginative arrangement of the stage in Maria Ejernson's sets:

an enclosed acting area with a ballustraced gallery at the sides and the rear, allowing various sorts of opportunity for comfrontations and ceremonial scenes. The main acting space is varied further by an array of black, shiny panels which can be swiftly and silently moved— and arc. in fact, handled some-what restlessly. Still, the stage readily assumed the aspect of a castle hall, a vault or a terrace. The period costumes are lavishlooking and strong in effect, even if not quite consistent

The WNO again had an admirable cast. As Elvira, Suzanne Murphy used her full, round soprano to good effect, particularly in the high-lying music, with her ample, floating line. Kerneth Collins's greath line. Kenneth Collins's smooth yet masculine tenor, even across his whole compass, rang well in Ernani's music. As Silva Richard Van Allan cut an impressively sombre figure, dark and grainy in tone; and Cornealis Opthof as Carlo showed a fine clear Verdian baritone, full and fluenters excellent stylist who offered many nice details of timing.

Madam Butterfly

Paul Griffiths

On Friday the Welsh National Opera brought to London music not heard here for more than 70 years. Their production of Mindam Butterily, which William Munn reviewed when it was new last year, restores the work very nearly to its original form, replacing episodes which Puccini cut in order not to offend the Paris audience of 1906. For, as Joachim Herz's staging makes very clear, the first Butterfly presented a much more bitter view of the clash of two cultures, with Pinkerton quite definitely cast as an insensitive, blundering pig.

Julian Smith, editor of the new interpolations and con-ductor of this production, demonstrated in a radio pro-gramme last week just what Puccini's revisions involved, yer to hear the rescued material in context is to gain a quite new and more interesting view of a well known opera. But perhaps this performance would have been a revelation even if it had used the standard text. The sepia colour scheme works well to fix the action as closely in time as in place, and Mr Herz loses no opportunity to bring the photographic images to life.

Moreover this performance boasted a very moving Cio-Cio-San in Magdalena Falewicz. Confident and dignified in all she did, she managed to suggest youthfulness and inpocence in the first act without being coyly girlish, and in the second she became a really tragic figure, in bearing as much as in vocal strength. John Tre-leaven was equally effective as the antipathetic Pinkerton, bonrish in behaviour but singing with clarity and glowing tone, and there were nicely detailed performances from Phyllis Cannan as Suzuki and Henry Newman as Sharpless. In the pit Mr Smith placed robust emphasis above poetry. but his dramatic pacing made this lengthened Butterfly not a moment too long.

Die Fledermaus Covent Garden

William Mann

The Royal Opera's grand Christmas attraction has returned for a third time, much as it was when the first performance of Leopold Lindtberg's new production was televised throughout Europe and America (it will be shown again here during the festive season). Those who have not yet seen it may be advised that, although the words are sung in although the words are sung in German, the spoken dialogue, newly concocted, is polyglot, pretending that Falke and Rosalinds are of British origin, Alfred an Italian. The original libretto made two characters pose as Frenchmen; Prince Orlorsky was always Russian. Almost every visitor to the per-

something. Purists must still bewail that Purists must still bewail that Eisenstein, the hero (if that be the mot juste), is not a tenor (memories of Tauber!) but a baritone, and that Orlofsky, originally a contratto in trousers, has become a tenor. It is all wrong, and I would regret it much more if the suc-

formance might understand

cess of the revival did not depend, to such an extent on the irresistible performances of Hermann Prey and Robert Tear in those very roles. Newcomers to this revival in-

clude the conductor Peter Mang who has the Strauss lift per-fectly in his pocket, likewise the orchestra; his rubati are sometimes unconventional but a thinking car will appreciate them. For his control of the "Du-I-Du" ensemble in the second act, one of operetra's greatest glories, there can be nothing but admiration. New also is Jonathan Summers's assured and euphonious Falke, ... somewhat thin in voice for "Du-I-Du", and clearly not a Londoner, any more than the new Rosalinde, Carol Neblett, alas nor in vocal good health but in any case dubiously apt for a role whose gaiety and charm she appeared not to appreciate.

At the party, between Ashnot the party, between Astron's two delicious baller numbers, Prey sang "Als flotter Geist" from The Gypsy Baron, superbly and with a juggler's trick to boot. Josef Meinrad's Frosch has acquired many more phrases in English including one much to the control of including one, much to the pleasure of this page, when he wakes Frank with a cry that "The Times is back".

Songmakers' Almanac Clandon Park

Paul Griffiths

A new season of concerts in grand National Trust residences got off to a good start on Satur-day with a Christmas treat from the Songmakers' Almanac, that immensely gifted group of singers and planists. Their anthology of seasonal songs and poems was something of a triumph even by their own high standards of programme building for it provided a judicious mixture of familiar and unfamiliar, following Wolf with Warlock or Debussy with Harry Woods. And who else would in

clude Kodaly in Hungarian or Grieg in Norwegian? Such a wide-ranging programme called for versatility in the singers, Felicity Lott. Sarah Walker and Richard Jackson, who failed only once, when they brought their leder manner to Noël Coward. Other-wise this was a polished, sophisticated entertainment,

and if there was some irony in a religious festival becoming the subject for an urbane soirce this was nicely recognized by the performers. They may in the first part have made St Luke's Gospel into a recitation piece, illustrated from the great composers, but later, with the help of some little-known carols T. S. Eliot, they came through to a vision of Christmas as a time when shameless enjoyment can be spiritually sanctioned.

was a splendid place in which to sit for two delightful hours: a perfect cube of marble and stucco decorated with the flam-bouyant hand of a master con-fectioner. Unfortunately its acoustic properties were not so appealing. Graham Johnson's near pianistic tricks were somehow made both clangerous and muffled, while the singers seemed unable to judge how little volume was needed to make an impression on a relatively intimate gathering. But no doubt there will be more opportunities to hear this cabaret-cum-carol concert,

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3.00

The Marble Hali at Clandon

Cricket

Lillee's ball brings house down after bat throws it into disorder

Frem John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent Perth. Dec 15 Things have suddenly turned sour for England. Following an excellent fortnight they have had a bad weakend, as a result of which they are going to find the first Test match here against Australia a difficult one to save. With two playing days left Australia are 184 runs ahead with With two playing days left Au-tralla are 184 runs ahead with second innings wickets

After being 90 for six yesterday afternoon England's first unings total of 228 was better than it might have been, it left them only 16 runs behind. But there were too many ugly reminders of past collapses, and if Thomson was still some way below his base and till some way below his best and astest. Lillee bowled very well. Last winter, against a margin-lly less good Arstralian attack, England were 81 for five in the bird Test match, all out for 111 a the fourth and 80 for six and 32 for six in the two innings of the fifth. This latest collapse, therefore, should have come as no supprise; no more, I suppose, than the way the ball moved about, at times disconcertingly. It did the same a year ago, though more so. England will be glad of the rate day. about, at times disconcertingly. It did the same a year ago, though more so. England will be glad of the rest day, not only as a day of rest but also for the extra time it will allow the pitch to settle down. Not until it becomes much more the colour of straw will it be at its best for batting.

With Botham feeling the effects of a slightly strained groin, and so unable to bowl at full throttle, and a catch or two going down, there was a time this afternoon when unfamiliar crarks started to appear in England's outcricket. Laird was dropped in the gully when he was eight, by Willey off Willis; half chances whistled through the slips; Wiener survived the closest of calls for leg before against Willis, and Willey was led off to have two stitchs is his head after being his while fielding at short leg to Miller. England were in need of succour when Underwood provided it.

Wiener (to picture him, think of Ross Edwards, who made 99 for Australia at Lord's in 1975) has impressed everyone with his batting in his first Test match. He had just gone far down the pitch to Underwood and hit him for an enormous straight six when, later in the same over, he was caught at short leg, propping defensively forward. This was 10 minutes before tea. Five minutes after tea Laird, pushing to Underwood, was caught at the wicket. Laird is not as good a player of English spin as he is of West Indian speed.

With nearly two hours remaining England's hopes were high of further successes before the close; But Chappell, playing better than in the first innings, was given not out to an appeal for a catch at short leg off Underwood, when even he seemed rather uncomfortable at not having walked, and Border was dropped by Miller in

disbelief, angered and saddened by what they saw, as he defeed the umpires' instructions, and his captain's too, to change the bat he was using. This morning, in a statement of breathtaking complacency, the umpires said that they had had a special meeting with Mr (if you please) Lillee and the Australian team manager. Mr John Edwards, and that they now considered the matter closed.

Lillee is marketing an aluminium bat which sells in Australia for approximately E35, as against the E65 of the most expensive willow. To some extent, therefore, the exhibition he made of himself westerday was a publicity himself vesterday was a publicity stunt, aimed at the Christmas market. In theory a bat which is cheaper than most and also long

cheeper fran most and also long lasting is not without its points. It sounds rather nasty, as we heard when Lillee hit Botham through the covers with it, for three, and it goes less well than a normal bet, which is why Chappell had asked Lillee, before he went in, not to use it; but for children learning the game or for knocking about with, it has obvious possibilities. learning the game or for knocking about with, it has obvious possibilities.

At the time of the incident England were bowling with a ball that was only 10 overs old. On Friday evening, when he started his invings, Lillee had used his normal hat. Vesterday morning it soon became obvious to the bowlers that his aluminium hat was damaging the ball in a way that a conventional bat would have been unlikely to do. As was perfectly reasonable Brearley objected to this, whereat the umpires told Lillee to change bals. The next 10 minutes defied belief.

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With the umpires, and his captain and the spectators (in no uncertain terms) telling him to grow up and get on with the game. Lillee refused to do so. He stormed off the field, returning a minute or two later with the same bat and to reengage the until the same argument. Had it been a previsite of match. same bat and to reengage the underes in the same argument. Had it been a pren school match. Lillee would have been sent home to bed. But in Austra'is there is a separate code for Lillee. Only he can hold the game to ransom. Chappell came out eventually with ome of Lillee's ordinary bats and succeeded in persuading him to use it. Lillee's not his temper, hurling the offending one away. Lillee's case was that there is nothing in the laws to say that a bat must be made of wood. In the revised laws, which are now at the printers, having just been redrafted by AICC, there will be, as Lillee knew, but these have yet to come into torce. What the laws do say, though, is that the umpires "are the soile judges of fair and unfair play". Once they had decided yesterday that Lillee's aluminalum but was putting England's bowlers at a disadvantage Lillee had to change it or be condemned. Even the fact that he claims to have a letter from the Australian cricket board authorising him to use the

ne claims to have a letter from the Australian cricket board authorising him to use the diminium bat, though not specifically in a Test match, became irrelevant once the umpires had made their ruling. In Brisbane 10 days ago, in the Test match between Australia and West Indies, Lillee also clashed with the umpires. On that occaeven he seemed rather uncomfortable at not having walked, and Border was dropped by Miller in the gully, a sparo chance off Dilley. For the third wicker, Chappell and Border had added 63 when two unhappy days for England ended. ended.

In evidence again yesterday were the two sides of Lillee—the recalcitrant child and the great howler. Ten thousand of his own West Australians looked on in with the umpires. On that occa-sion, when he was bowling intra-tional no balls, umpire Bailbache having called him five times in a

again, in order to get the over rmsned, but that it liller took a wicket in that time it would be disallowed. Another case, in fact, of there being one law for Liller and another for the rest. Having been didiculed by him in Brishand the unplies were defied by him yesterday, and he still gets away with it.

Just as by his actions Lillee brings the game into disrepute, so by his bowling he brought England, also yesterday morning, to the brink of disaster. After 70 minutes batting England were 41 for four, Lillee having accounted for Randall. Boycott and Gover. This morning, when he soon had Brearley caught at the wicket, he became only the third bowler since the war to have taken 100 wickets in Anglo-Australian Tests. Also Bedser and Ray Lindwall, who are the others, have both heen at the ground, full of admiration for Lillee's bowling but as saddened as everyone else by his anxies.

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With Brearley's departure in the third over today went England's chances of significantly prolonging their first inalogs. For his 64 he had batted four hours and a quarter. It was the best of his 52 immings for England, played at a critical time and in testing conditions. To his side he set an admirable example in application. So, for that matter did Dilley, Yesterday and today Dilley batted for over times hours. Against Northamptonshire last season, he made 80 in barely an hour. So he can play both games. Of the last five in the England order the only one not to sell his wicket dearly was Willis, who was bowied unluckily and well in this match but showed with the hat a fast bowler's dislike of fast bowling.

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Estras (16-7, nb-15)

Kirmani and Kapil Dev to India's rescue

Bombay. Dec 16.—Aggressive middle-order batting pulled india out of trouble on a the operiog day of the third Test against Pakistan here today. The home side recovered from 128 for five conductions and Kapil Dev with 57 character 232 for six. An unhorken seventh wicket stand of 78 runs between Syed Kirmani and Kapil Dev was the highlight of the indian recovery.

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Left-arm spinner leghal Qasim. Left-arm spin

Woolley holds up W Indies' victory march Launceston. Tasmania, Dec 16. The West Indies were posted to heat Tasmania by an inmings after building a total of 545 for five declared on the third day of the four-day cricket match here today. He trapped Goodman liby with his fifth hall and with the four-th have won inside three days but five declared on the third day of the four-day cricket match here today. Reger Woolley, a vicket, before today.

he Reger Woolley, a vicket-keeper who came in at 94 fo-five—all the wickets having fallen to Carner in a hossile spell of 14 overs. bere today.

Their buge score—the highest by a West Indust side against an Australian sinte—left the louring team with a lead of 312 spell of 14 overs.

Garder was not used in Tas-mania's 20 minutes barring before lunch but was handed the ball immediately after the break and runs on Brst Inclings. By the close Tasmania were 235 for six in their second inmugs, sull

Dropped three times by Gomes in the gully. Woolley took his score to \$5 at the close SCORES: Tarmania, 217 and 237 for 5 ft keeling 55 not out. West indians, 545 for 3 dec 14 Kalti-Charran Life, L. Gomes 137 and out. L. Rowe CC:

West Brom in threatened grey area Show jumping By Norman Fox of the Football Leagues decision of the Sportball Leagues decision of the same in the first for those in this grey area, the division, that large-block between immutation is in the sense that large-block between immutation is in the sense that the sense that

Yeovil can go to town with

City on their sloping pitch

could be forgiven for wondering whether they should be striving whether they should be striving for places in Europe or struggling to keep out of the second division. This peculiar state of affairs is the result of early errors among the top clubs and an evenuess of ability among those further down. The consequence is that six points separate those who still believe they can be champions from those who are looking over the edge of the destroyers fall.

the dangerous fall.
Comparisons with the same Comparisons with the same stage last season emphasize the stage last season bottom. And west Bromwich Albion, third from top and with two games in hand, was 13 points. Albion retained that position to the end but this season find themselves among the threatened middle group. They are experiencing the more unhealthy result

Palace bow

By Tom German
Liverpool had prepared, and
duly delivered, a textbook lesson
for Crystal Palace's journ hopefuls, covenously eveing the Mersersiders' place at the top; they gave
them a sound walloping and sent
them off home to reflect on what
still has to be learnt.
A 3-0 defeat at Anfield is
scarcely reason for despair;
Palace can reassure themselves
with the lack of answers to the
question of who could have fared
better against remarkably assured
champions.

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Liverpool found so many spaces to run into, aspecially in the second half, one suspected at times that they had somehow managed to smak on a couple of extra men in red shirts. The full backs swept up the flanks, McDermott and Ray Kennedy constantly filtered through and Palace looked more than a little bemused by it all.

They kept level beads, however, took it all in like model students and will no doubt be better versad aext time. More important for their self-confidence, they can look back on a first half in which they defended capably, restricted liverpool to a goal in the seconds added for supplages, and supplied some hint of what they can do in the touches of Hilaire and Sansom.

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The best of Swindlehurst was seen in the last ten minutes or so when Liverpool were coasting: Clemence had to seve from him twice and then found himself beaten for the only time when Nicholas drove a shot against the top of the crossbar

Case claimed the first goal jumping to reach Johnson's cross from the right. The second came from Dalglish's highly personal repertoire, an impudent chip where nothing seemed on, which arched almost tautalizingly beyond flurridge. The last demonstrated the skill with which Liverpool opened up huge gaps in Palace's defence by intuitive responses and unselfish running.

Somies sent Ray Kennedy striding up the left and McDermott and Johnson went sprinting

atridiog up the left and McDer-mott and Johnson went sprinting through the middle to queue for his pass. McDermott just got there first. Sonness, it was later learnt, has withdrawn with a strained grolo from the Scotland party for their European championship match with Beigium on Wednes-

LIVERPOOL: R. Clamonce: P. Neul.
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the kings

impration is to be defensive, which is the opposite of what was stiended by the change, but to judge from Albion's 2-2 draw with garmed of the charge and all that were sound as managers well are twice behind and twice equalized, and all that we come the sychological blow of a midweek defeat at Swindon, one would have accused the Londoners, not Albion, of a elightly premature willingness to take the single point when two could have come their way. But after a thoroughly entertaining game that would he a quibble.

Arsenal were twice behind and twice equalized, and all that before half time. Defences were not as sound as managers would have wished, but managers are well

reished, but managers are well paid to dwell on such things. The crowd of under 20,000 received good value. Albion still play attractively if without such luck, and Regis remains an impressive

Partly because several matches were postponed on Saturday eight non-league clubs went into the draw for the third round of the FA Cap. Yet only Yeovil, founders of legends about sioning pitches, pulled out a first division prize in Norwich City.

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The only other non-league team definitely through to the third round are Altrincham, who won 2—0 at Rotherham and will be at home to Orient, but Croydon and Harlow fight another day, having gained replays with Millwall and Southead. respectively. Stafford, Chesham, Merthyr Tydfil and Northwich Victoria all play this week as a result of matches being put off because of waterlogged grounds.

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Two third-round ties stand out from the rest. Torrenham Hotspurmers Manchester United at White Hart Lane and Leeds United at White Hart Lane and Leeds United play Nortingham Forest at Elland Road. Spurs and United have met twice in recem cup compedition and on both occasions the Manchester club won, but narrowly. In the sixth round of the FA Cup last season United won a replay 2—0 and in this season's League Cup they won 4—3 over two legs.

The match at Elland Road will take Brian Clough back to the club he managed for six difficult weeks. Leeds are improving after a difficult period under the present manager, Jimmy Adamson. Their 3—0 defeat of Wolverhampton

Croydon or Millwall v Shrewsbury. Everton v Aldershot. Leeds United v Nottingham Forest.

Newcastle United v Chaster or Barnsley.

Alteincham v Ocient.

Draw for the third round of FA Cup.

Altrincham v Orient.
Birmingham City v Southempton.
Birackburn Rovers or Stafford Rangers v Fulham.
Bristol City v Derby County.
Bristol Rovers v Aston Villa.
Burnley v Stoke City.
Cardiff City v Arsenal.
Cardista United v Bradford City.
Chelsea v Northwich Victoria or Wigan Athletic.
Chesham United or Merthys Tyddi v Cambridge United.
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Newcastle United v Chester or Barnsley.
Notis County v Wolverbampton Wanderers.
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Presson North End v Ipswich Town.
Queens Park Rangers v Watford.
Reading v Colchester United.
Sunderland v Bolton Wandesers.
Swanses City v Crystal Palace.
Tomenham Homper v Manchester United.
Transere Rovers or Rochdale v Bury or York City.
Wastall or Halifax v Manchester City.
West Bromwich Albon v West Ham United.
Wimbledon or Portsmouth v Middlesbrough.
Wrexham v Charlton Athletic.
Yanell v Norwich City.

Being without Statham. Robertson and Owen gave Albion reason to be cautious but from the beginning they were positive. Barnes, more responsive to the demands of the moment than he is

demands of the moment than he is in some matches, kept the attacks flowing and Trewick again overcame the stigma of being described in that derogatory term, a "utility" player.

Regis and Barnes made the first goal and started the period of intense competition when the teams stood toe to toe. Regis played a delicate flicked pass. Barnes ran down the touchine and provoked some uncomplimentary remarks about not looking before crossing the ball. The centre went too far across but Robson had made a splendid run to a position beyond the far post and headed back into the goal.

Within seven minutes Arsenal

of Barson to head in from Devine.
Three minutes, fater Trewick put Albion shead, his shot placed with the side of his foot after a generous free kick. Arsenal hit back. Rix carling a centre for Stanleton to head in: Although Rix hit the crossbar, the second half was less dramatic but close enough to make it seen abauth that the reams are:

12 places apart.

As Liverpool effectively put the youngsters from Crysal Palace in their places, and Manchester United won at Coventry, the gap between the two leading clubs and Arsenal, in third place stretched to five points but something may give on Boxing Day when the leaders meet at Anfield. By then Arsenal may have spend a considerable fortune on a replacement for Brady, who leaves for the continent at the end of the season.

WEST BROWNICH ALBION: A. Geddon: B. Batton, G. Pendrey, D. Mills, J. Wile, M. Bennett, B. Robert, D. Bartos, G. Royle, J. Trevick, P. Bartos, G. Royle, J. Trevick, P. Bartos, A. B. Talbot, D. O'Leary, Waiford, L. Brady, A. Sunderland, P. Waiford, J. Holffan, G. Rix, Referoe: K. W. Baker (Rugby).

By Clive White
Despite the doubting Taumases,
Manchester United so into the
holiday period stride for stride
with the marathon men of Liverpool and five points clear by the
field. The situation, therefore, is
cantalizately poised for the Liverpool Manchester United extrarganza on Boxing day.

Anyone who goes to Coventry
with ideas of attacking them is
either touched with madness or
greatness. United's infliction, if
that is the wird, is clearly the
latter and in defeating Coventry
2—1 they disfigured a house
record second only to United's in
enterprise.

Wanderers on Saturday places them in a more comfortable midtable position in the first division while Forest took a day of rest because their march against Hiddlesbrough was postponed.

Arsenal, the FA Cup holders, start their defence at Cardiff. This is a fie to delight the historians. In 1927 Cardiff became the only club to take the FA Cup out of England when beating Arsenal 1—0. If Cardiff, need inspiration from more recent times, they can take it from Swindon Town, who beat Arsenal in a League Cup replay last week. Grimsby, another third division club doing well in the League Cup, continue their exciting season with a visit reacting season with a visit reliverpool in the FA Cup.
Thy Town big success: Southend United, who are struggling in the third division, were stakeared by non-league power when they were held on a 1—1 draw it home by record second only to United's in enterprise.

Macari did many exquisite things on Saturday, not the least of which was a searing, accoring header to Coppell's cross, in the seventy-first minure, which proved decisive. How well he climbs for a little man. But the player who really caught the even-was another Scot (there were 10 on view at Highfield Road)—lacqueen. Regaining his place in the first team after a sir match absence that began with injury, he meeded to play well after the serving performances of Moran, a young Irishman, His off 34th frame fost to the challenge of this and Coventry's Ferguson and primphed superbly with the eight second animate exception of Ferguson's gently headed goal which grounted barely a muriner freen a resigned Coventry crowd.

McQueen, you see, had already non-league power when they were held to a 1—1 draw at home by tiny Harlow Town, of the Isthmian ting Harlow Town, of the Isthmian League.
Harlow refused to be knocked off their game by a goal in the filteenth minute from Parker and serned a replay with a goal early in the second half from Neil Proser, aged 22. a shop manager.
Grimsby Town, who are in the League Cup, quairte-final, faced the second of three cup battles in eight days by proving ton powerful for Sheffield United, the third division leaders. Swindon Town, who are through to the League Cup semi-final, had their game at Torquey posiponed.

Covening crowd.

McQueen; you see, had already won the bartle in the fitty dight in the fitty dight in the play up until then had suggested that whoever scored first would carry the day; and so if proved as Nicholl. On a determined run, played a delightful one-two with the teager forden, and crossed for McQueen who shot into a beckerning net.

The first half, which Umind's manager have Senton though was the fastest he had seen phayed tall the won the 400 metres freestyle in Si.09sec and the 200 metred backstroke. Alan McCatchey, as Ediburgh medica spudent was the most successful.

Confounding doubting

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colleague in the crowd judging by
the number of crosses he put
there. Thomas was almost as
careless at the other and.
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S. Gooding. J. Holton, G. Gilleaple,
T. Huktblann, I. Wallace, M. Furgusen,
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MANCHESTER, UNITED: C. Bailey:
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G. McCueen, M. Buchan, S. Coupall,
R. Willias, J. Serian, L. Maccir, M.
Thomas.
Referee: R. Bobinson (Wolanidae)

There was a deceptively bright opening by diffusel with Lyons wriggling through to shoot a foot wide but Croydon, uninhibited by the big Selhuist Park pitch and spacious surroundings, had the surroundings and the surroundings as the strong of the pulle at them ahead from their first genuine attack. Andy, gathering a short corner, dropped the ball into Rod's path with a flauviest, diagonal chip and the arriver drove a fierce left-foot shot beyond lackson.

Apart from a fine save by Cobb

By Pamela Macgregor Moris

John Whitaker achieved his
fourth victory in as many days at
Olympia yesterday afternoon when
he won the Norwich Union Brandy
Butter takes on Miss Tina at
the expense not only of his rivals
on the Olympic short-list, but also
the debarred professionals.

Paul Schockenionle was runner
up on Daphne, a winner here for
West Germany on Friday, and
Caroline Bradley rode Landamne
into third place above Gilles
Bertrand de Balanda and Manuel
da Costa, the French and Portuguess champions, respectively.
The continuing story of the
going does not improve with the
telling, and the management has
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on Thursday.

On Saturday night the puissance
fell victim to the underfoot cosditions, when the hiders met to
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the ground had not improved sufficiently to test horses over big
heights and spreads. A further
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Harvey Smith had his first win By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

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Harvey Smith had his first win of the week in the Courveisier Cognac Knockout Stakes on Sanyo Music Centre (formerly Grafitti) at the expense of Ireland's Company of the expense of Ireland's Company of Ireland of Ireland

Swimming Three go home from Stirling

Golf.

Player wins his fourth title on his own course

Player, of South Africa, scored his fourth successful victory on his country's circuit yesterday winning the Sun City event near here with a 10-under-par 278. He finished hour strikes clear of his companiot, Bebry Veryey, on a course ne designed himself for the Sun City holiday resort in Bophuthatswana, black homeland.

"Obviousy it's a tremendous thrill to get four in a row "Player said. "I've had four win and five seconds, including the US Open, this year and won well over 165,000, rand (almost \$200,000). At 44.1 am playing better than I have ever played Dedication has paid off. If I keet my health, I'll still be winning at 55."

Player won 15,000 Rand (about Player won 15,000 Rand (about \$18,000) for winning today's 72 hole tournament in which total prize money was 100,000 Rane (about \$120,000). The highest placed foreign player was Desamyth, of Ireland, who was join fourth with 286—Reuter.

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Tomorrow the underdog gets a second bite at the Lions

By Vince Wright

Saturday was the end of a good week for the inderdog. Following hard on the heels of the League Cup fears by Swindon and
Grinsby was the achievement of a non-league side. Croydon, in
holding third divison opponents
to a 1-1 draw at Crystal Palate's
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Scottish premier division

European leagues FA Cup, second round

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Scottish FA Cup, first round

Scottish first division



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her fourth successive victory over Martina Navratilova.

South rally in vain after Tomes Jets his marching orders Peter Wast Jets his marching orders Peter Wast Jets his marching orders bait, and Edinburgh's lead was judgement, but the invinited down to 18—15. It needed wing, Robertson, now midfield for the Sol another penalty, the sixth of Iryine's successful shots ar goal, sughtly miscast in the rather as Hay does rather as Hay does

it, was sent off in the Scottish trict championship match at Idenacre on Saturday, and refore faces a suspension that likely to rule bim out of concration for Scotland's first impleasing game, in Dublin, and bruary 2. He almost certainly the South a victory which it tenacious recovery, even bout his services in the second f, all but earned.

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omes was given marching ers for stamping on the back Watson, the opposing number it, in an incident off the ball.

Scottish Rugby Union maint a stern artitude to violent y, and it is ironic that one of trop players should attract unflattering sporlight just in they are announcing a weller reduction in the number of ters sent off. rers sent off.

aving lost this fixture for seven syrunding. Edinburgh beat the the the the the current district champs, by a goal and five penalty is (2) points) to a goal, a speci goal and two penalty is (15). A fiery display up it, and the overall dash and sprise inspired by Irvine, produced down the bitter wind, a time lead of 9—3 which was a stratched by nine more its.

it seven heavy South for-is still contrived to apply a ressive squeeza at the set es, their middled backs at saw virtue in running the

to seal the result.

The selectors must have been comformed to see Irvine, no longer frustrated by a nighting athilles tendon now restored to his old exciting sharpness. They had reassurance, no, in the zest and sparkle of Lawson, although the contest at strom half ended with honours just about even. Laidlaw is a sturdy, nuggety performer in the monid of Jan Webster, but with a longer service.

When the South forwards were reduced to seven, it seemed that Burnett, who is seen as McLauchlau's successor in the national XV, would have an easier ride against Burnert, who is seen as McLauch-lau's successor in the national XV, would have an easier ride against that formidable acrummager; Pender, However, Pender helped Desa's add-two strakes against the head in their one munial success of the first, half, the score in Dean's favour finishing at 3—1.

The Edinburgh fiankers, Calder and Brewster, comprehensively outplayed their rivals. Scotland need some entra pace at loose forward, and Brewster, who wore a cap against England two years ago, may be close to another. On the other side, Dickson missed a gilt-edged chance with a bad pass, but otherwise had a thrustful game, and Smith, with his hall-playing skills and considerable physical presence, made an increasing impact at lock.

Everything done by the new Scottish centre, Johnston, was touched by quality and good

judgement, but the international wing, Robertson, now playing in midfield for the South, looked slightly miscast in that position-rather as Hay does on a wing where he lacks the confidence to beat his man on the considerate. where he lacks the confidence to beat his man on the outside. Baird scored South's try. Dods kicked two penalties and the conversion and Rutherford droaped a goal. Rutherford's pace and appetite for the gap were there but his defence and kicking were suspect. Hay was Ediphurgh's try-scorer. In the other district match, the Scottish B stand-off, Bryan Gossman, kicked six goals in Glasgow's 30-7, victory; over North and Midlands, and he put in his brother, lim, for one of their four tries, just as he had done against breland B. From this match, at Inverness, came glowing reports of a big young number eight, John Beattle, of Glasgow Academicals.

ampbell keeps senior place in trial

Richard Streeton

land's rugby selectors have
ined to tamper with the side
h beat Australia in two intermal matches during the
mer in their choices for the
Irish triel on January 5. It
is that Ward, who scored 33
beland's 53 points in last
in's five rations championagain loses the stand-off
ion to Campbell in the senior
the Whites. the Whites.

Inteen of Ireland's winning on tour are included in the exceptions being.

4. H. Gibson in the centre.

Steele in the second row. ibbin returns to the centre Gibson, whose back trouble prevented him from playing 10 weeks. He must be contained by the contained by th

(Skerries) comes into the second row.

Bath and Leicester two of finglish rugby's most fluent sides in attack, both won again on Sannday. Bath demolished Harlequins 27—10 with three ries inside 10 minutes early in the second half. Horton, whose representative career may not yet be over, was the inspiration behind Sath's handling moves. A beyoff England selectors watched Leicester succeed 22—14 against Bristol, after holding off a stern opponents. opponents:

Moseley's forwards had the rare experience of being outplayed by a hard working Bedford eight, who dominated the second half as Bed-

ight)

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superior—and then made a try for Casalaspro with a break on the blind side of a scruminge and

blind side of a scrummage and an inside pass.
Condon should have been tackled and the try prevented. Or is that being too wise after the event? There is often a tendency to blame the defence instead of praising the man who diddles it. Irish owe it to Condon as mach as to anybody that they are still unbeaten in the London merit table. Their place in next season's John Player Cup is secure. The same cannot be said of Welch. Changed days.
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Samuel.

LONDON IRISH: D. Leopeld: J.
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A. Newberty, L. Borlinger, L. White,
M. Smythe, G. McCarthy, W. Jones,
Isab, N. Gilbert: K. Short, F. Cruty,
Referee: Major P. Lillington (Loy.

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lating whether to retire from sentative rugby for the id time. Steele, who has had

Richard Streeton at old saying about rusby a game for players rather spectators came to mind our day as the Coventry and caster forwards trollched in Coundon Road mud. Houest avour rather than skill was mly prevailing theme possible to cold and wet as Gloucester by a gool and a persaits contains and ts) against a genalty (3). In circumstances, two mistakes the end by Haw Davies de kept in proportion, ere were about 15 minutes when Davies, the Coventry off, attempted a clearance near his own 22-metre line, d little height and bounced ussell; the opposing stand-off able to collect the ball and the game's only my, which the game's only my, which iso converted. Later Davies is similar experience when a out kick was charged down, h this time Gloncester did rofit. h this time Gloncester did-rofit.

Se two errors were personal
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Numes and Shipsides and
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er the Gloucester back row
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lineouts. Gloucester twice
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enough near the line. Grant
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ichard Streeton

e Webster's win at the Laing
inton grand prix at Hemelistead on Saturday night

that four players have the
and last leg is played at
er on February 1-2. Players

It resitts for a win and eight

16 points for a win and eight

oners up with the top two

on March 4. Miss Webster Nora Perry now share the with 28 points, followed by 1 Bridge (24) and Gillian

s Webster showed a greater of purpose this weekend she has done for some time should face the rest of the

should face the rest of the o with more optimism. She o come through several hard sex, including a semi-final ing with Miss Bridge, who have reached a peak too early winter. In the final, Miss her beat Barbara Beckett and 11—4, 12—9. Miss Beckett and the superrance hides a settive streak but the English was usually in control.

eral factors combine to leave

Webster the favourite to n the inaugural Laing title von last year. She has proved erself she can outlest Miss

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eat sense of purpose

Somebody up there looks down luckily on the Irish Lewis missed four penalties in the first balf, when the wind was belind the Welsh. The half-time score was 3—0 to Irish, Meanwell having kicked a penalty when Condon was tackled without the hall. Condon dropped a gosl from a ruck soon after half-time—the lirish rucking was tellingly

They talk glibly about the luck of the Irish, but there was much more than luck to the victory of Loudon Irish over London Weish at Old Deer Park on Saturday. There was strength, determination and insight, which enabled Irish to win by two penalty goals, a dropped goal and a try (13 points) to a penalty goal (3). to a penalty goal (3).

Take the luck first. In this match it blessed Itieh in a slightly unusual manner. Each of the three goal kicks that went over for them hit a post on the way. It is common enough for perhaps one such kick to hit a post in the course of 80 minutes, but not three. Any team for whom that happens may feel entitled to take victory for granted. Somebody up there must like them.

them.

The kicks in question were two penalties by Meanwell and a dropped goal by Condon. It is probable that only Meanwell's second penalty would have gone where he wanted it if the ball had not glanced off a post. For Welsh, on the other hand, Garett Lewis managed only one penalty out of five attempts. His misses were not near enough for deflections. Lrish won the forward argument . Irish won the forward argument and with it the match. Beringer

Results at the weekend



Bridge. Mrs Perry has traction treatment on her injured back this week and her singles' ambitions may yield to her commitments in doubles for a while yet. Mrs Gilkn's plans do not include playing at Chester.
Ray Stevens, the national chempion, and Kevin Jolly, continued to dominate the men's event. Jolly however, looked no nearet

to dominate the theu's event. Jolly, however, looked no nearer beating Stevens, or his own temperament, as he went down in the final 5—15, 15—9, 15—8. Jolly played some marvellous strokes in the first game but became ratiled when Streens came from behind to level at 9—9 in the second. Service changed five times before Stevens draw away. In the third Jolly zave the impression of

Jolly gave the impression of losing heart and trailed 1—13 before he again showed his best form but it was too late.

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RESULTS Men's singles: R. P.
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EBU inquiry into finding by British doctors was Frazier's 42nd win inside the distance in his unbeaten, 43-bout

career.

The European Boxing Union's (EBU) executive commission have instructed their medical experts to report on a finding by British doctors that a 12-round bout can be more dangerous to the con-restants than 15 rounds. European title pouts were re-cently switched from 15 to 12 rounds and the EBU's general assembly will decide next May on the basis of their doctors' recom-mendations whether to continue the practice. the practice.

The commission also decided to back a claim by the Italian Rocky Mattioli that the World Boxing Council should give him a chance to regain the light-middleweight title he lost to Maurice Hope, of Britain, last March. But it ruled against recognising the new cruiserweight caregory recently adopted by the World Boxing Council.

Marvis Frazier, the 19-year-old son of the former world heavy-

Marvis Frazier, the 19-year-old son of the former world heavy-weight champion. Joe Frazier, stopped Olaf Mayer, of Austria, to win the heavy-weight title at the first world jumor amateur boxing championships in Yokobama yesterday. Frazier had Mayer down twice before the referee intervened after two minutes 44 seconds of the second round. It

England's two finalists, light-middleweight Nick Witshire and light-heavyweight David Cross, were both stopped in the second round of their bouts. Wilshire found the fierce right-hand punching of the American Afred punching of the American Alfred Mayes too much for him and was saved by the referee after two minutes 50 seconds of the second. Cross was stopped by a Russian, Alexandr Lebedev, after one minute 49 seconds of the second. United States won five titles, the Soviet Union four and South Korea and Bulgaria one each.—Reuter.

Milan: Heavyweight: Lorenzo Zanon (Italy: best Glaman Sand Parker (US), seventh round. ATLANTIC CITY: Heavyweight: Garry Cookey (US) knocked out Leroy Booke (US), such round. (US), sixth round.

BARRANQUILLA: WEA super bantamweight, champlanith: Relation Cardena
(Columbia: seat Sergio Palma (Argonthan), points.

PUSAN: WEC flyweight champlensule: Far Chan-Rac (S Korea; knocked
out Guty Espadas (Mexico), second
round.

American football NATIONAL LEAGUE: Green Bay Packers 18, Detroit Liens 13: New York Jels 27, Minmi Dolphins 24.

Triumphant bow for Smith and

Stan Smith and Bob Lutz, playing perhaps their final Davis Cup doubles for the United States, defeated Adriano Fanatta and Paolo Bertolucci, 6—4, 12—10, 6—2 to give the Americans their second successive triumph in San second successive triumph in San Francisco on Saturday. In the previous singles, John McEnroe defeated Panatta and Vitas Gerulaits won when Corrado Barazzutti was forced to withdraw because of an injured right aukle. because of an injured right ankle.

Although the doubles was the most competitive of the three marches, the Italians again failed to win a set. The Americans, leading 5—4 in the first set, broke Panatta's service to win the set but they had to wait for 85 minutes to take the second, which took 22 games to decide, the most in any Davis Cup final doubles since 1958.

in any Dar since 1958. Smith and Lutz had two set points at 4-3 and three at 8-7, with Penarta serving. But on both occasions, the Italians resisted and with Panatta serving. But on both occasions, the Italians resisted and continued to do so until Panatta hir a backhand volley into the net in the 22nd game. He threw his racker down in disgust sensing imminent defeat. "It was the turning point in the match for us," Smith said later, "If they had won that set, the match would have been tied and they could have easily come back." The victory gave the Americans their 26th success in the 79 years of the Davis Cup. For the Italians, it was their fourth defeat in five finals. Today the Americans will try to become the 20th team to win it 5—0. McEnroe plays Antonio Zugarelli, taking the place of the injured Barazzutti, and Gerulaitis plays Panatta.
For Smith and Lutt, it was a sweet way to end their Davis Cup careers in which they have been beaten only once in 13 years. The American captain, Tony Trabert, has alreade amounted that

Rugby League

Quinn moves past

century mark By Keith Macklin

By Keith Mackling Seven goals at Huddersfield yesterday gave the Featherstone Rovers stand-off half, Steve Quiun, a place among the statistics if not a place among the immortals. Quium joined Ganley and Watkins in scoring 100 goals before Christmas, his total after the Huddersfield game moving from 96 to 103. Quiun's achievement is all the more meritorious in that they were all place kicks, without a single drooped goal among the 103. Rovers, in addition to celebrating Quinu's century, to celebrating Quino's century, created a club record of 10 successive league wim, and are comfortably perched ou top of the second division table with promotion seeming more and more a sorma-lity.

After witnessing their young local stripling, Bendey, score a wonderful wingman's try over a wonderful wingman's try over 90 yards of swerve, sidestep and

asking: "why chase Stuart Wilson?" Benniey's try, the first of two. Wilson? Why the first of two, carned him a standing ovariou, and demoralized Warrington, who at that stage, were only 9-5 down and had just missed scoring a try through Bunter. Bentley received the ball near his own line from Bowden. He shot past the initial cover, felmed to more inside and accelerated outside the Warrington full back, Ganley, to race away to the line. Wright also scored two tries for Widnes, and Burke landed six goals. Warrington always fought well, and the margin of 17 points was a little unfair.

Salford remain at the top of the table after winning at Hunslet in a match which produced no tries. Salford retained their unbeaten record with three penalty goals and a drop goal from Rule against two penalty goals from Parrish, the Hunslet centre who maintained his record of playing and scoring in every match.

In the big West Riding derby at Odsal, Bradford Northern and Leeds provided a remarkably hard tussle. Although Leeds led at half time with a try from Cookson and a goal from Oulton against a goal from Mumby, they dominated the scrummages in the second helf and Stephenson obtained a try to which Mumby added the winning goal. Both Hull Clubs won in their dress rehearsals for tomorrow's Floodilt Cup final. Hull Kingston Rovers took a breather after building up a 15-0 lead against Black-

Riosdif Cup that. Bull knigston Rovers took a breather after building up a 15-0 lead against Black-pool Borough and Borough stored three tries in the last 15 minutes. Bull, with the tougher game at Wakefield, were behind 2-0 at half time but scored tries by Boxall, Norton and Wakters.

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Great Britain pass Self examination

The Great Britain bockey ream, preparing for the Champions Trophy tournament at Karachi next month, completed a stremuous three-manch exercise as Crystal Palace yesterday by drawing with London Indians. Earlier they had beaten an England X1 2—0 and drawn 0—0 with the South. drawn 0-0 with the South.

Overall there was little to quicken the pulse apart from the goal which London Indians scored in the last minute to save the game. Up to that time the British defence had given fittle away in a game of changing tactics carried out under the shrewd and able guidance of their manager and coach, Roger Self. The tendency to contain themselves was more perceptible in the two earlier matches.

Probably the most significant

march to stimulate the speculation surrounding the selection of three more players to complete the party of 16 for Karachi.

The excitement which had surrounded the earlier matches during the year between Britain and London Indians was missing in yesterday's march as both sides settled into an early period of exploration. The tranquillity was broken when London Indians opened the scoring in the twenty-sixth minute from a short corner, perfectly hand-stopped by Osborn and superbly struck by Sibia.

There followed a renewal of endeavour and two quick replies by Kbehar. He scored from a long corner in the thirty-second minute, though not directly from it, and, almost on half time, put the finishing touch to a fine centre from the left by Brookeman.

For the first 20 minutes of the second half the British side held their lead with a fair degree of comfort. Then Taylor—Britain's No 1 goalkeeper but deputizing yesterday for London Indians—had

to come out to save from Duthie. Britain themselves had a lucky escape with Cattrall clearing from the line. Taylor was summoned again soon after to stop Westcott from scoring. After a collision Westcott came to brief but the injury was not serious.

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Diamond Edge a good Gold Cup investment

The 20-1 that is on offer with the sponsors against Diamond Edge for the Tote Cheltenham Gold Cup represents extremely good value and should be taken. Because of the strain on the legs of top-class steeplechasers, the Gold Cup has tended to be some-

doubles.

In São Paulo, Brazil took a 2-1 lead over Chile in the South American semi-final round of the Davis Cup. Thomas Koch and Carlos Kiruayr beat Hans Gidemeister and Airaro Fillol, 3-6, 7-5, 6-3, 5-7, 6-0 to put the Brazilians ahead.

Tracy Austin took less than an

Tracy Austin took less than an bour to overwhelm Martina Navrapilova; 6—2, 6—1, in the final of a rournament in Tokyo yesterday, Miss Austin, aged 17, unsertled Miss Navranitova by breaking her service in the first game and again in the fifth to take a commanding 4—1 lead. Miss Navranitova, aged 23, won only 18 points in the second set to suffer her fourth successive defeat against Miss

for this fact, there is no conceivable reason for Diamond Edge to be standing at such long odds.

Consider the facts. The ill-fated Alverton won last season's Gold Cup. At Sandown Park in February Diamond Edge beat Alverton by three-quarters of a length when in receipt of 3lb. Doubtless Alverton improved between then and Cheltenham but there is no reason why Diamond Edge should have stood still. There is little doubt that if a slight accident on the morning of the race had not

have gone close to winning the Gold Cup." Diamond Edge has the heart of a lion, can quicken appreciably, stays for ever, jumps like light-ning—though sometimes a trifle erratically—and loves the mudi. Diamond Edge is now in his third season of jumping fences and will be at his prime at the age of nine. All being well he will have his first outing in the Mandarin Steeplechase at Newbury on December 29.

final of the South Australian open rournament when she was beaten by Hana Mandilkova, 6—7, 8—2, 6—1 in the semi-final round in Adelaide on Saturday, Miss Mandilkova, another 17-year-old, struggled through the opening set and lost the tie-breaker 11—9, but then she dominated the match with speed and aggression that Miss Barker could not answer. Her opponent in roday's final will be Virginia Ruzici, who beat Betty Ann Stuart, 6—3, 6—3. Miss Stuart said later that she was returning home immediately for "personal reasons" and had withdrawn from the New South Wales and Australian open tournaments.—Reuter.

The Gold Cup picture has changed dramatically. Jack of Trumps is favourite after his 12length victory in the Punchestown Steeplechase. At Ascot Fred Steephechase. At Ascot Fred Winter was disappointed with Midzight Court after the 1978 winner could only fluish fifth to John Cherry in the Long Walk Hurdle. Midnight Court looked fit to the Long Walk Hurdle. Midnight Court looked fit to the Long Walk Hurdle. doubt that if a slight accident on the morning of the race had not chart of the caused Diamond Edge's last. Hurdle, Midnight Court looked fit from home and bringing down human ter than at Huntingdon, but still a game to the post more fancled trifle flat and is most unlikely to than his stable companion, Gaffer, run in the King George VI Challenging the eventual winner, outing last season he won the Winger's efforts will dow be Whitbread Gold Cup in fine style.

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chase he tired when headed and was pulled up before the last fence. It must be long odds against Grand Canyon being fit enough to win at Kempton and the big Boxing Day race now appears to the between Jack of Trumps and Silver Buck, who have a two-mile spin over hurdles after racing at Northingham.

Full marks must go to Nicky Henderson for turning out Raffi Nelson in such fine style to win the SGB. However, with Grand Cauyon and Modesty Forbids running far below their best, the fact that the 12-year-old, Flashy Boy, finished second must make the form slightly runner. The SGB Hire Shop Hurdle was a complete fiasco with Pollardstown falling at the third fence from home and bringing down Badsworth Boy. Secret Ballot collapsed at the final flight when challenging the eventual winner, Walnut Wonder.

won and the four-year-old now goes for Towcester's Ladbroke Bercha Burdle next Saturday. This will be followed by a tilt at the John Bart Whisky Hurdle at Ayr's new year meeting where his opponents will include the first and second in the Mecca Bookmakers Hurdle, Golden Vow and Silver Shadow.

The brightest moments of the day were Venture to Cognac's solid victory in the Killiney Steeplechase at Ascot and Wayward Lad's can-

Leicester goes ahead: The c'erk of the course at Leicester, Nick Lees, said yesterday that the stewards had inspected the course and given the all clear for racing today. No furth inspection was plauted. The go-on the hurdles course will beavy and on the steeplechase course soft. Racing at Catterick Bridge on Saturday was called off because of the bad weather.

Leicester programme



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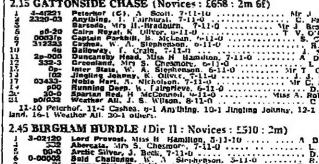
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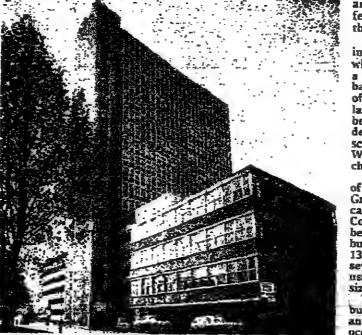
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The mansion of about 18,000 so ft stands in about 10 acres of grounds, and will be renovated in keeping with the original design. The developer has also obtained planning permission for an extension of 12,000 so ft, to be built in an unusual halfcrescent shape to take advantage of the slope of the site. Completion is due early in 1981; The site adjoins the

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Work is expected to start in the next few months and when completed will provide a basement ground floor banking hall, and 18,000 sq ft of self-contained offices. A large private car park will be provided, and the total development value of the scheme will be about £2m. Wrather and Co. of Manchester, acted for Rambro.

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The building provides some 58,000 sq ft, comprising a 12-storey office tower and a three-storey annexe connected to a multi-storey car park. The letting was priced at about £2 a sq ft. A development by Rank City Wall, City House is in Havant Street, beside Portsmouth Harbour rail and bus interchange. The British Steel Corpora-

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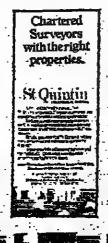
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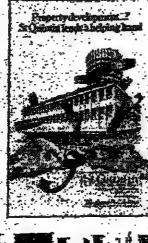
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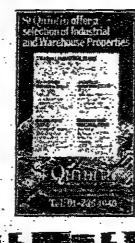
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The Middle East: William Frankel on the choices after Mount Sinai

Common ground or wars and terror?

The second anniversary of President Sadat's portentous visit to Jerusalem was marked last month by an Egyptian ceremony at Mount Sinai gloritying peace—and by violence from Palestinian terrorists directed

The Palestinians were demonstrating that the Arab world stands by its 1967 resolution of no negotiation and no peace with Israel. So far, the Egyptian President has stood virtually alone among his peers in his efforts to active a peaceful settlement of the Arab-Israel dis-pute. In an optimistic interview in The Times, Mr Sadat prophesied that: "it will come sooner or later" and expressed his conviction that the first stage, the autonomy for the West Bank and Gaza, would soon be concluded. But the continuing absence of other Arab negotiators is certainly discouraging.

The possibilities inherent in autonomy were interpreted by Abba Eban, Israel's former Foreign Minister, He has written that "if the government respects its signa-ture of the Camp David accords, it should admit that it has created a clear option for partition, which he amplified on another occasion as meaning "the eventual Arab destiny" of the area. Yet Mr. Begin's divided and faltering Government, even as it negotiates autonomy, has announced an increased programme of settlement in the West Bank almost universally assailed abroad as incompatible with his expressed desire for peace.

Inside Israel. Jewish settlement in the territories occupied as a result of the 1967 war is viewed differently. The numerically very small but dis proportionately influential Gush Emunim are the ardent settlers believing in the fulfilment of the biblical promise. These activists see themselves as performing God's will by dwelling in the holy and promised land.

A much larger number of Israelis also support Jewish settlement but on different grounds. To them, it is shameful and unprincipled to acquiesce in the proposition that this areas must be "Judensein". The concept itself is unacceptable and in practice inequitable since Arabs live freely in Israel where they can purchase and own property. Why should not Jews have the same rights in the West Bank, they ask, whatever the future disposition of the territory? the territory?

Possibly most Israelis are opposed to the settlements. At the same time, they are in fevour of at least

some Israeli defence presence in these buffer zones until real peace arrive: with secure and recognized The country is so small that, without some detence in depth. her centres of population would be vulnerable to attack whether by terrorists or regular forces.

Yet however cogent the case that can be made in patient and reason-able discussion, the prevailing reality in the Middle East is of impatience and suspicion. In this atmosphere. Israel's settlement policy and such inept and damaging actions as that against the Mayor of Nablus inevitably fuel Arab fears Israeli expansionism and duplicity.

Mr Begin can be in no doubt that these policies of his Government are alienating Israel's friends abroad and providing ammunition to her enemies. They should be, and are being, forthrightly condemned. But serious and harmful as they are, these are not the issues which are standing in the way of peace; they constitute troublesome and irritating sideshows. The Sinai sextlements which Mr Begin had vowed would never be relinquished, were returned to Egypt in the peace treaty. Vital to Egypt in the peace treaty. Vital oil resources were given up last week. It will be more difficult for Mr Begin to abandon settlements

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in the West Bank—and concervably he might bequeath that task to his successor—but all the precedents suggest that Israel would not allow

them to obstruct a real settlement were it available.

When the 1974 Arab Summit at Rabat recognized the Palestine Liberation Organization as the only ation with the power of veto. And the PLO has exercised it by pursu-ing a wholly negative and uncom-promising policy. It will not accept

which call for a negotiated settle-ment, it does not accept Israel's right to exist, its covenant main-right to exist, its covenant main-mins that only Palestinians have the right to live in the Palestinian state (which is defined to include the state of Israel) together with only those Jews who lived there before

Apologists for the PLO, offering no credible evidence claim that this is all rhetoric and that the organizaion really is moderate. The Israelis can hardly be criticized for failing to take risks with their very existince on the faith that Mr Yasser Arafat and his associates do not mean what they ear mean what they say.

Of course the Palestinians have case, but what are their aims now? If they do not seek the destruction If they do not seek the destruction of Israel, what do they want? Their objectives have never been authoritatively and clearly defined other than in their covenant. The present: rid, unconstructive and violent postures of the PLO, the only available evidence of what they stand for deepen Israel's apprehension and strengthen the hands of her diehards.

The same voices applauding doubtful Arab moderation, exceriate or ridicule Mr Sadat for having broken the united Arab front and

Stability was not a notable characperistic of the region even before the Sadar initiative and a united front based solely on rejection is. surely better broken.

The Camp David agreements still The Camp David agreements still offer the best possibility of movement in the hitherto intractable. Middle East scane. Were they to accept the role they have been offered in the negotiations, the Palestinians could at least make some progress towards the realization of their legitimate rights recognized by all the Camp David signatories. Regrettably they have remained resolutely obstructive, as much out of fear of the rumlessness of the PLO than through support for its policies. The murder of the Imam of Gaza earlier this year between the table and the state of the table. in an of Gaza earlier this year be-cause he had been prepared to talk about self-rule with the Israelis has been an effective deterrent to other

real moderates Because Israel is a free and demo-Because Israel is a free and demo-cratic society, her flaws and wrong-doings are open, not only to the scrutiny of the world but to the investigation of her courts of law and to the often clamorous, write-ism of her own citizens. Censure of the PLO is less evident partly, through ignorance of what trans-pires in a secretive and fragmented

destabilized" the Middle East, l'organization and partly out recruir and possibly, the westpon, too. The vest flow critical information from one's and its virtual absence from other, has created a public im sive and arrogant.

That view does not accord w the facts. Israel has demoustre negotiated: made concessions compromises in glaring contrast the rejectionists. Her fut willingness to compromise can o be tested in future negotiations which two sides are necessary. long as the PLO, and the A states which follow the line, ref to talk, recognize and negoti they are the real obstacles to penot the Israelis. Moreover, il intransigence is bound to inten Israel's preoccupation with secur Israel's preoccupation with secure The choice in the Middle I was exemplified by the two eving on November 19. Mount Sinai, scene of President Sadat's common and reputed site of the relation central to Judaism, Christity and Islam, symbolizes reconcition, and common ground, alternative is the recurrent two cycle of wars and terror illustrated by the bombing of the Jerusa bus that same day. bus that same day,

Philip Howard joins in the centenary toasts to Oxford's proud lionesses

The formidable ladies of Somerville

A group of science studen In those days Oxford considered science a dangerous and disreputable subject for men

Question, question: what have Margaret Thatcher, Indira Gandhi, and Shirley Williams in common, spart from sex and variegated politics? Put it another way. What is the connexion between Iris Murdoch, Esther Rantzen, and Marghanita Leski? The answer is that they all went to Somerville Col-lege, Oxford, that proud nur-sery of lionesses, which has been colebrating its centenary

Since the outrageous notion got our that women should be permitted to be publicly educated and have careers, the success of Somervillians has been conspicuous, constant, and disproportionate. You could say that Somerville was the Balliol of women's colleges, if you wanted to vex Somervillians, since they consider themselves, of women's colleges, if with some justice, second to

There is no such thing as a typical Somervillian. But an unfair number of Somervillians turn but to be successful and distinguished. They tend to be independently minded and requery everything; formidably argumentative, a critic might say. For a hundred years now they have been bustling into public service to the national

A century ago a few dons and their wives and sisters decided that Oxford should at last admit the passibility that women were capable of higher education: a revolutionary idea that was catching on at other places such as Cambridge. They such as Cambridge. Luc, formed the Association for Pro moting the Higher Education of Women in Oxford, the AEW for

The plan was to arrange lectures and teaching for women, and to provide a "Ladies' Hall" where students from outside Oxford could board and lodge. The association split on that old Oxonian rock of religion. Lady Margare: Hall with nine stu-dents was established as the Church of England four aways. Somerville Hall was the un-denominational foundation. denominational foundation, offering its 12 students freedom ligation.

It was named after Mary Somerville, the queen bee of century science: Somerville has always taken



science seriously, even in those days, when Oxford considered science a dangerous and dis-

The two halls opened on October 13, 1879. An early anecdote prettily illustrates the eternal difference between LMH and Somerville, Miss Shaw Lefevre, the first principal of Somerville, one day had a weep on the shoulder of Miss Words worth, her counterpart at LMH, because she found her flock so difficult to control. Miss Words-worth consoled her: "It is a pity we cannot change places, because I should know how to would not need to be snubbed."

From those brave early days. the double disadvantage of being conspicuous because of their scarcity, and having to he chaperoned to lectures, librachaperoned to lectures, libra-ries, and laboratories, Somerville has grown.
Women were soon appointed

as tutors; but they had no shure in the management of what had been renamed a col-lege until 1993. Some honours examinations were opened to women, but a proposal that they should be admitted to de-

reputable subject for men-

In 1920 at last women were admitted to matriculation, degrees, membership of congregation, and so on. In 1951 Somerville became the first self-governing women's college in Oxford, and in 1959 a full college of the university. In 1977 the final barricade of discrimination fell; the university restriction on the number of colleges admitting women undergraduates was withdrawn; and all colleges became eligible to take turns in electing proc-

Somerville founded the first re-search fellowship for women.

A century ago the principal Somerville asked permission for her students to walk in the gardens of St John's College. The president of St John's replied: "Madam, the gardens of this college are dedicated to horticulture, not husbandry."
We have come a long and worthy way since then, Somer-ville has become a national institution,

It has been celebrating its contenary with a Gaudy, a college feast, and a memorial lecture by one of its daughters who has done well. Professor Dorothy

grees was decisively rejected. Hodgkin, the witch (taken as a complimentary feminine of wizard) on the X-ray crystallographic analysis of the structure of molecules, who won the Nobel Prize for chemistry.

It is sadly significant how many words there are in the English vocabulary for a wise man, and how few for a wise woman. The JCR decided to put on Wycherley's Love in a Wood for the celebrations; it has the advantage of nine female parts. The principal of Somerville, nervousiv: "Is it very improper?" The organizer, indignantly, in pure Somerville: Not at all: it's a Restoration comedy."

At the peak of the Gaudy there were 3.000 Somervillians, husbands, and children picnicking in the college gardens. They came from as far apart as California and Auckland, Icaland and South Africa, Somerville, and and South Africa, Somerville, and and South Africa. rille's tradition of academic excellence and public service was exemplified by the sight of Mrs Margaret Thatcher (who came just as an old Somerwith her former tutor, Dorothy Hodgkin, and her former principal. Janet Vaughan.

Somerville has decided to remain at present a college ex-clusively for women, while all around it Oxford colleges are about to go co-residential. For one thing women have been its sole governors for only a comother, there is the family pride in the achievements of Somervillians over the past century. Mrs Barbara Craig, the prin-

cipal, says that applicants for undergramate places tell her that in a mixed indiversity there are advantages in belonging to a single-sex college: "A mixed college, I am assured, is likely to be an introverted place, where the men will expect you not to look beyond your own college if you are in a singlesex college, you will certainly make friends within it; but you will also be bound to look out-side as well, and to become much more part of the univer-

Whether Somerville can persist in going its own way while other colleges disregard geoder remains to be seen. But the pioneer of the outrageous notion that women are also people and can be educated has become a glory of its university.

Eric Heffer

Why Labour must think again after Strasbourg

The vote cast by Labour's Euro-MPs against the budget at Strasbourg less weak resses important questions for the Labour Parry regarding the role of its Euro-MPs. It also clearly indicates the future direction of the assembly, which un-doubtedly took a great step towards becoming as powerful a European Community institu-tion as the Council of Ministers.

Labour's Euro manifesto.

states "The EEC assembly is not a real Parliament it is largely a consultative body. We believe it should remain so." It accepted that the sasembly has partial control over the Community budget with the sledge-hammer power, which it is munity budget with the sledge-hammer power, which it is unlikely to use, of dismissing the Commission as a whole. It further stated "the Labour Party is firmly opposed to any extension of these powers". The Tory Euro manifesto also said "We fully endorse the section in the treaty that pre-vents the Parliament from adding to its powers unilararally

Although these are the views of the two major British political parties, the reality is that Euro-MPs cannot be expected to sit around Scrasbourg withour using their collective strength. It was practedly because an elected Euro-assembly would demand and ultimately achieve more power, slowly moving towards becommg a real Parliament, that the Labour Party rightly opposeddirect elections.

Direct elections, however, have been held Euro-MPs have been elected and, as last week's. their powers, with the rederalists among them seeking Federalists among them seeking to extend these so that in future they can exert a more effective control over the Commission and the Council of Ministers.

Had Labour's Euro-MPs kept Had Labour's Euro-MFs kept strictly to the spirit of Labour's manifesto, they would either have voted for the budget, or abstained. They did neither, and in my view, they were right. How could Labour Euro-MPs explain back in Britain that although the budget was detri-mental to the interests of the British people, they had voted for it because of a section of Labour's Euro-manifesto

Following the rejection of the budget by the Euro-MPs, which has undoubtedly caused a serious crisis in Community affairs, and taking into conIt is essential for Labour to examine its attitude to Europe and the EEC

sideration Mrs Thatcher's lack of success at Dublin, should Labour now demand Britain's withdrawal from the EEC? This is an understandably increasing demand, and if Mrs Thatcher fails to get her way, or retreats from the firm stand she has taken, it will gather even more

stage of demanding withdrawal from the EEC, however, there are important preliminary steps that could be taken to achieve our aims. The trouble is that Mrs. Thatcher is making the predecessors. She has said that her Ministers and civil servants will continue to attend Community committees and totally reject "the empty chair" concept. No doubt her argument is that one can be just as awkward by attending meetings than by being absent That is a fallacious argument.

If Britain refused to attend meetings, except Summit meetings, conducted an "empty chair" policy as did de Gaulle, and at the same time refused to pay further budget contributions, taxes, etc. until the contentious issues were resolved, no progress would be made. Agreement would either be reached or we would be expelled from the EEC.

I should make it clear that although against the Commu-nity as it stands at present, I have been. There is a danger, however, that because of the present EEC disagreements. Britain and even the Labour Britain and even the Labour Parry could withdraw Into a shell of chauvinistic national-

Paradoxically, a firm stand by Britain now for the changes it desires could actually begin the transformation of the

The next important step the Labour Party is to examin depth all the alternative:
the EEC. Can Britain with changing patterns of trade sulting from its membership the EEC, with the loss of C monwealth preference, a seriously regain the market had in the past I fear We could thus become elitotally dependent on the Un. States, or unhashiby dad the Eastern European Com-nist block.

There is however, a rarely cussed sitermetive, ie, a w grouping of European st slowly moving towards a cli-unity based upon democr socialist concepts. Such a gre-ing could reject both burwould, of course, be Utopias believe that this could attained overnight. It will I hard and long road to tra wards' democratic socialism gaining strength and could even stronger if social reached egreement with

Labour stay well decide : Britain's future is outside EEC. It is certainly right demand that Westminster its full powers restored. will not be able to turn its t. completely on Europe, becawe are essentially part Europe and increasingly so. European industrial and ecimic integration develops.

The trade unions of Eur. are increasingly joining gether to protect their memb-from the policies of he mu-national companies. Europ socialiste are also having work out common policy which cut across national frturn its back on Europ-socialist allies and re-strengthen its link with the especially with the Durch those other socialists who opposed to the use of the Cri-

opposed to the use of the unissile by Nato:

It is essential for Labout, examine closely its attitude.

Europe and the EEC. It is have a socialist perspective therein may lie Europe's treat hope for peace and perity in the future.

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NEW YORK DIARY

The argument here last week over television news coverage of Iran bears similarities to the disputes in Britain about re-porting the IRA and about the interview at The Times office with Mr Anthony Blunt The issue is whether people who have offended against accepted ellowed a public forum for arguing their case.

Here it focused on an interview which reporters from the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) had in Tehran with Cornoral William Gallegos, one of the hosteges in the United States Embassy. As a condi-tion of being allowed the inter-ties, NBC had to let the Iransan students' public relations officer make an eight-minute statement and agree that it would be aired in " prime time"
—the most watched mid-evening hours.

Administration officals criticized NBC's acceptance of those conditions, variations of which the two other national networks had rejected. Mr Jody Powell, the President's press secretary, accused NBC of being party to a "cruel and very crnical" attempt to divert the attention of the American public from the illegal seizure of the hostages a curious charge seeing that an interview with a hostage was the highlight of the broadcast.

A Congressman suggested that the actwork be given "the Benedica Arnold award for broadcasting "-in memory of a notable traitor in the American Gallegos said that he and the War of Independence. Mr 30 Americans confined with

said the interview and statement and that President Carter. with whom he had discussed it, Mr Walter Cronkite,

veteran news-reader for the Columbia Broadcasting System. clused conditions made by the Iranians for a similar interriew in which questions would have had to be cleared by a committee of the students. (NBC said it did not have to submit its nucctions in ad-The students holding the

embassy are stepping up the use of the hostages to promote their cause", said Mr Cronkite in a news broadcast. Mr William Rusher, a con-

servative commentator, in a discussion on NBC, pointed out that freedom of speech did not include the freedom to cry fire!" in a crowded theatre. He thought the interview might have similarly perilous consequences for the hostages. Mr Fred Friendly, former president of CBS Nows, disagreed with him and believed that the public had been well served by

the broadcast.
That view was not shared by at least one NEC reporter, Mr. Ford Rowan of the network's Washington bureau, who resigned to show his disapproval

In the interview, Corporal

Thomas O'Neill, the Speaker of him had been treated fairly the House of Representatives, well. This was seen as an unnecessary propaganda point for the Iranians, but to balance that, as Mr Friendly pointed out, he did give information about condinons which had not previously been available.

What engers the Administration most is that their own officials have been unable to make contact with Iranian ministers, with the hostages or with the students who hold them. Yes such contacts are regularly made by members of the inter-national press. "Television diplomacy", they call it.

Mr Sadegh Gotbreden, the franian foreign minister, is hardly ever available to representatives of the US Govern-ment, but he gives a press conference almost daily in which he denounces and throate is the United States. This is regularly reported in newspape, s and on television.

It is understandable that a prevident whose over-riding concern is to free the hostages safely should feel irritated when others insert into the debate matters, sometimes em-harrassing, which he believes do not bear directly on that object.

denounced Senator Edward Kennedy, his main rival in next your presidential elec-Shah's questionable record in office and wendered whether he should have been allowed come here for medical treatment.

should be declared off limits at times of crisis appears to be popularly held, to judge from the President's progress in the expense, since that contretemps, A persuasive organism though, came last week from Mr Arthur Schlesinger, a former special assistant to Presidents Kennedy and John-

He wrote that one of the lessons of Vietnam was that it is precisely during inter-national crises that public discussions is most needed.
"The cry of national unity, has been used before to cut off debate and to conceal error. Demucracy is not something to be suspended in an emergency."

Journalists in a free society. equally believe that it is their task to help propie understand coefficts-even conflicts involving the rational interest-by expaning the views of all protagonists. They do not have to act as though they were an emension of the Government. The francans have, since the

taking of the hostages, become adept at exploiting the journal. 1924 year of their role. Outside the United States embassy in Tebran, students shout maniacally and stake taeir fists when the cameras are switched on. The effect is highly visual, irresistible to a cameraman, and its constant repetition ou our television screens does have a cumulative effect, in spite of the fact that the commentators



are meticulous in pointing out that it is staged for our benefit Ecfore the interview with Corporal Gallegos, Mr Hodding Carter, a spokesman for the State Department, told a private audience at Princeton that the earlier interview conducted by all three networks with the Ayatollah Khomeini probably made things worse for the host-ages. Mr Carter maintained that the Ayatoliah had vowed to place the hostages on trial only after being prossed by reporters: had they not questioned him on the matter he might never have said it and would not thus feel compelled to carry

out the threat.
Another Administration official accused television reporters one (except Mr Blum) feel terrilying forecast of impendof asking "soft" questions of splendid but, as Louis Heren ing chaos and down the Iranians and failing to press, pointed out on this page a few of the interest of with them,
them hard enough about the days later, they would not have the apporters had its raise that

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conditions in which the host-ages are being held. Mr William Small, president of NBC News, replied: "I'm stire the people at the State Department wish they were doing the interviews, but we're not going to get out of the business of informing the American people. Our guys are not there to debate the Iranians. They're there to elicit. This is the kind of defence

used by the BBC and others when accused of being soft on the IRA Some people outside the news media regard the argument as self-serving, not to mention pompous (Paradox-ically, these same critics are often the most vocal in objecting to "trial by television" when the person being asked the loaded questions is a "respectable" politician or

In the case of Mr Blunt, the newspapers who were aron-rarily excluded from his goarmer Press conference in The Times boardroom objected partly on the ground that their reporters would have asked more aggressive questions than the allegedly over respectable scribes from The Times and

The Guardian.
Maybe they wanted to confront him fearlessly with the charge that he was a disgusting traitor, and what did he feel about it? Such self-righteons tactic would have made every-

Yet it would be unrealistic for a reporter to attempt to doing so they might be mak sustain the position that he is things worse by say discou-an uninvolved spector whose ing people from continuing task of recording events has no leave home early to stagger. influence on the way in which rush hour those events unfold. The mes So they senger does temper with the message, especially if he or she s carrying a camera and micro-

phone.

The chanting Tehran students provide one example but there. Queensborough bridge at 1 are others every day on tele past eight.

vision news bulletins, albeit of "Television has been trough." adequate commuter rativay in the country.

the country.

Television has well-gred techniques for reporting such events. Helicopters take pictures of bumper to bumper traffic jams on the roads, from Long Island into the city. Reporters are dispatched to underground stations, the special car parks and the pick-

up points for emergency buses. On the first couple of days the spari-ups were nowhere near as bad as had been predicted. They scarcely could have been. With seven local television stations competing for viewers, the prize goes to the one who can make the most

elicited any useful informs rush hour travel had been o pararively plain sailing. they clearly understood that ing people from continuing leave home early to stagger

So they felt constrained add a warning that althou things were not as bad as to might be people should t tione to be on their guard : not all my to drive over

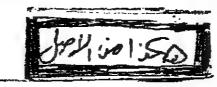
Television has been trying know and they try to obey the even if sometimes it mathem look a little ridiculous

When journalists defend press they are suspected, if timately, of conflict of inter. Looking, then, for an obser rion from an impartial with to round off rbis column, stumbled across the author-many of the best quarers. abour freedom, Thomas Jeft

"Were it left to me" wrote "to decide whether should have a government with out newspapers or newspep without a government, I show not heart te a moment to pro-

the larrer."

Michael Leapin:





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HOW TO SUPPORT AMERICA

There are probably quite a few right to resist this suggestion, things Mrs Thatcher would like for there is a very important to talk to President Carter about principle at stake : the principle when she sees him at the White that money deposited in a bank House today. But she may well remains the property of the defind that there is only one subject he is really anxious to discount of the definition ject he is really anxious to disallies can help him to obtain the release of the American hostages in Tehran.

He is not likely to raise this subject with Mrs Thatcher in any plaintive or recriminatory manner. Britain is one of the countries which has given most support to the United States in this crisis, both in public and in private, and Mr Carter's administration clearly appreciates that.
There is one specific point, however, on which she has been unwilling or unable to satisfy bim. In common with America's wher allies, and in spite of force-ul entreaty from Mr Vance last

week, Mrs Thatcher has not

followed Mr Carter's example, in reezing Irabian assets. The legal idvice given to her, which she passed on to Mr Vance, was that. nassed on to Mr vance, was made inder existing law the government is not empowered to take nach action. "Primary legislation"—that is, a new act of harliament—would be required. such an act could no doubt be Thatcher wanted it, but not so last as to prevent Iran from passed with great celerity if Mra etting most of its money out of

> iecame Jaw.∙ Even so, the Americans might. rell he glad to see such a law of all Iranian assets would be

he country before the bill

can thus be regarded as justified if the seizure of his embassy in Tehran is regarded as an act of war. It has none the less aroused great concern among those responsible for managing the foreign currency holdings of other countries with very large investments in the United States, most notably those of Saudi Arabia. For Britain, which is certainly not at war with Iran and does not wish to be, to take such a step would be almost suicidal. As a nation we depend much more heavily on our banking activities than does the United States. We simply cannot afford to let the rest of the world think that money deposited with us is at the mercy of political decisions by the British Government. Contrary to Lord Lever's argument in yesterday's Sunday

Times, this does not mean giving fran freedom to default with impunity on its liabilities. Where there is evidence of default or intention to default, Iran's creditors can take action in Brirish courts to attach Iranian assets within the jurisdiction. Chemical Bank was able to obtain an injunction to this effect two weeks ago. But for the government to order an indefinite freeze assed. But Mrs Thatcher is quite a different matter; and it

is far from certain that it would help to secure the hostages'

The issue will be quite different if a programme of sanctions against Iran is agreed by the United Nations Security Council, including "complete or partial interruption of economic relations." as provided for in Article 41 of the Charter. To ask for such sanctions seems the logical next step for the United States, given that Iran in con-tinuing to hold the hostages is now defying decisions of both the Security Council and the International Court of Justice Britain should certainly be willing to support such a request, if Mr Carter feels the time to make it has now arrived. But there should be no illusion that economic sanctions will quickly or directly produce political results. It has taken us fourteen years to end the Rhodesian rebellion, and few would claim that that was achieved by sanctions alone. Sanctions may reinforce, but they cannot replace, continued diplomatic effort. It may be tempting to think that Imam Khomeini's regime, could be brought down in weeks rather than months" but even if that were possible there is no certainty that it would be in the interests either of the hostages or of the West as a whole. What we should concentrate on is convincing the Imam and those around him, than it is not in their interests, or those of Iran, to hold the hostages any longer.

THE RHODESIAN DOOR AJAR

he Lancaster House marathon 3 over. The Salisbury delegation as gone home. The Foreign ecretary has departed to Washagron on other urgent business. fut one set of initials is wanting n the final document of agree-tent. Once again the Patriotic ront, while saying they agree ith everything else in principle, ontinue to press for changes in rrangements in detail, thus laying further on the nerves f all concerned and not without kill or the prospect of getting xtra gains.

At this stage it is necessary to e firm about what Britain's ommitments and options are. or good or ill Lord Carrington as acted upon his judgment that he risks involved in not sending Governor to Salisbury shead of he formul signing by all parties ad become greater than the isks entailed in Lord Soames nding himself in legal control I a country in which civil war ersisted and be commanded the alisbury security forces against ne guerrillas. The Foreign Secvary had in mind, for example, disbury's growing fears over ie Front's true motives for their. elaying tactics, and the possi-lity of Zambian communicaons being bombed again, which ilisbury would continue to have e power to order until Lord sames raised the Union Jack. the result, the British state is w technically at war with the terrillas in default of Mr-komo's and Mr Mugabe's signa-res. "It's Britain's war" cry eir spokesmen in tones plainly

David Wood

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the thing is sure. After the over-thelming rejection of the whole uropeen Community budget for '80 in last Thursday's vote in Tasbourg, no untional politicians' parties will plausibly be able to on arguing that the European triament is a Community institu-tion of account a more railities.

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Nobody knows or may yet usefully

Nobody knows or may yet usefully less what happens now, alchough will be in the interest of the buncil of Ministers. Parliament, id Commission to shift the road-ock to the 1980 budget within the ext two or three months. No atter. The new European Parliacent has oldined a fundamental

emocratic right very early in its fe and has established its title. fter all, when did the House of

ommons last attempt to kill off a hole Finance Bill, say on second

Nor is the approval or rejection the Community budget the only

twer the Parliament is armed with

may also dismiss the whole omnission. During the 14-hour tempt at horse-trading that ended.

5 am on Thursday morning one

two old parliamentary hands,

icluding a former Secretary-eneral, were headily suggesting

ow that ultimate weapon could be

sed. It may have been a sign of the rowing anger and mood of frustra-

on that the finance ministers

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aimed at getting a frightened constitution, the transition under British public to bring pressure a neutral British sovereign to bear.

If they persist in rejecting the military arrangements and fly back to their command posts, the public certainly has to face the risk of Britain being involved in an "African Vietnam". It is the greater risk because it results not from a breakdown of a ceasefire, but from not even getting a ceasefire. But there are reasons for thinking that the softer line taken by Mr Nkomo does presage an eventual signature by the Front leaders before their nominal war with Britain becomes anything worse.

The difficulty, we are told, lies with the proposal to locate fifteen assembly areas round the periphery of Rhodesla in which the 14,000 guerrillas are to concentrate, while the Salisbury forces return to their bases. They rejected the first locations because they said they would be surrounded; now they have been given friendly porders at their back, they complain they are being forced to leave strategic central areas they "occupy". The answer is, first, that they occupy, as opposed to infiltrating, no area; and, second, that during the election campaign their supporters and cadres will have access to any area provided they go unarmed and in the capacity of peaceful election agents and organizers.

It is to arrange for them to function in just that capacity that the conference from first to last has been about. The new

Perathentically, let me make a personal point. A week ago I wrote

an analysis arguing that the Parlia-

early against the realpolitik of the

Council of Ministers, and that British members might also risk compromising the bipartisan objec-tive of the "broad balance" be-tween what the United Kingdom

puts into the Community and gets back. We must wait upon evems in 1980. Nevertheless, had I been em-powered to cast a vote in Strasbourg

ast Thursday it would have gone to belp reject the budget.

a reasonable and practical com-promise during the long night of "concertation" came from the side

of the budget committee and the parliamentary group leaders. The Council of Ministers, insultingly reduced to Minister of State level

(one country sent a civil servant),

did not take seriously the formidable

case built up by Erwin Lange, the West German chairman of the

budget committee, and the brilliant multilingual Dutch rapporteur,

Christian Democrat waverers on the

vote, Mr Brian Lenihan for only a few hours the Irish Foreign Minis-

ter, thought it wise to add injury to insult in his speech to the chamber immediately before the vote. The Council of Ministers asked for a par-

liamentary rebuff, and they got it.

Back to the main theme. Here we

have, then, a European Parliament that thows determination to be a

reckonable force within the Com-

munity, that has proved its demo-cratic credentials, that is willing to use its severely limited powers to

the full. Yet, now that there is only a handful of Westminster MPs at

Strasbourg on a dual mandate, the

British members of the European Parliament, Conservative or Labour,

have virtually no links with the

Since that point was made in this column in mid-November there have

been two or three sensible develop-

his colleagues in the House of Lords, who put the Commons to shame in the thoroughness with

which they always treated European

affairs, are studying how links

between Westminster and Stras-

hours may be developed, although they recommer that the Commons

a principal clerk Mr.

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Nearly all the willingness to reach

nt risked testing its strength too

British sovereign presence, the Lusaka stipulations for free and fair elections monitored by a Commonwealth team during a cease-fire-all this. is designed to enable the Patriotic Front, whether as one party or more, safely and unharassed to go about a peaceful mission of persuasion ending in a decision by secret ballot. Negotiations about fairness in the disposition of the forces on either "side" in the contingency of the war being resumed are understandable; but the longer Mr Mugabe and Mr Nkomo haggle for endless changes in military details, the more it will look as if they are preparing for a resumption of war rather than an election

They may, before they sign, extract more concessions, like the Governor's new powers to designate additional assembly areas. But their backers evidently feel that they are well enough placed to win an election or emerge from one with a decisive say in a non-racial, black-ruled Zimbabwe, without further straining the economies of their hosts by dogmatic insistence on a decision by war alone. Britain has some cards too. Sanctions are ended: and, after an election, however disrupted, or even in default of one, the option is open to hand independence to the Muzorewa regime. If the Front will not come to terms it will show that it only used the conference to prepare an intensified military offensive.

Lords Overseas Office, to research for a report on the Westminster condexion. This week Sir Henry Plumb, former president of the NFU and president of the NFU and president of the European Parliament's agriculture committee, accompanied by Mr David Curry, spokesman for the European Democratic group, will European Democratic group, will be at the Lords to give evidence on the reform of the common agri-

cultural policy.
That is one more sign of the Lords leading the way. But something is happening in the House of Commons, too. The Bow Group's standing committee on Europe, under its new secretary. Mr William Stenhens, has devised a way of bringing together Conservative commoners and Strasboure MEPs at Westminster to provide a link between the two Parliaments. The Bow Group has eight members inside the Cabinet and many beck-benchers, and the idea is that they should book Commons committee rooms where specialists from parlia-

discussions. The first link meeting will be on Wednesday, when a senior official of the directorate-general of internal and market affairs will join with Mr Basil de Ferranti, joint deouty leader of the European Democratic group, and Mr Rowen Wells, an officer of the 1922 Committee on trade and consumer affairs, in exchanges about "Free trade or prefectionism. In February there will be a discussion of "Common energy policy", with the Commons, the European Democratic groun, and the 1922 Committee once again

mentary committees should join in

In principle, the 1922's committees will be marched with the European Parliament's committees, and for the time being that look like being the best practicable working link available between the two varliaments.

involved.

What about a link between West minster Lahour MPs and Mrs Barbara Castle's team in the European socialist grown? Here there are, of course, ideological differences adding to the difficulties of finding mones in which links between the two parliaments may be formed. The most promising owen is the Mr Eric Heffer has become in effect, the lisison officer mittee to monitor what hannens in the European Parliament. MEPs very much by surprise.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Changing the writ of summons

Sir, Since the confused, and confus-ing, letter by Mr Weir in today's issue of The Times (December 14) may have misled a number of your readers. I think it is as well that, as Chairman of the Rule Committee,

I set the record straight at once.

Mr Weir begins by saying that the present form of writ has been used for 700 years. It has indeed, It dates back to the time when the defendant in an action, bidden by the Sovereign in a document countersigned by the Lard Chancellor to appear in Court, had actually to do so, and was arrested if he did not. That is why the writ contains the Royal Command to the defendant

Royal Command to the defendant to enter an appearance.

Novadays the reality is somewhat different. A would-be plaintiff, whose claim may be meritorious or purely vexatious, buys from a law stationer a printed document carrying Her Majesty's name and the Lord Chancellor's, and, if he is an honest man will then set in non-Lord Chancellor's, and, if he is an honest man, will then get it processed by a Junior Clerk, in the Royal Courts of Justice with a mechanically impressed seal. I have known this necessary step not to be taken, and Her Majesty's name used solely for a malicious hoar. In any case neither Her Majesty nor the Lord Chancellor knows anything about it.

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about it.

If this were morely a misuse of Her Majesty's (and for that matter the Lord Chancellor's) name it might be overlooked as a piece of harmless if misleading archaism. Unhappily it is not. It is open to insuperable objections of a more serious kind.

The exential requirements of any originating process are two, and

originating process are two, and the present form of writ satisfies neither of them. The first requirement is that the recipient should be told in plain and simple language what the document means, and what courses are open to him and the consequences of each. In the case of the writ, besically these courses are two. He can admit the claim and submit to judament. In this case he need do nothing because, if he does nothing, he will be taken to have admitted the claim. Alterna-tively he can dispute the claim in whole or in part, in which case he must fill up some sort of form and send it in, when the plaintiff will be bound to proceed with his action before he can recover judgment. Thus the defendant is commanded to do something when he is in fact

under no obligation to do anything at all and he is not told that the true purpose of the "command" is to let the court know that the writ has been duly served, and the plaintiff that, if such be the case, the claim is disputed.

The second requirement is that the defendant must not be misled into thinking that the Queen (i.e. the Government) has taken sides against him. In other words the form of the writ must be such that he can feel sure that, if he thinks he has a valid defence, he will have ne has a valid defence, he will have a fair trial. A steady but pitiful and sometimes scandalised trickle of letters reaching the Lord Chancellor's office (or sometimes the home of ex Lord Chancellors) from benused defendants complains rather pathetically that the Queen tie, the Government, through the Lord Chancellor, bus ganged up against them, in other words that against them, in other words that justice, which should be impartial, has already raised a presumption that the plaintiff is right. I have even known this error proclaimed by a not undistinguished Privy Counsellor in the House of Commons.

The Rule Committee of the Supreme Court, on which Mr Weir pours such scorn, is really rather a high powered body. In addition to representatives of both branches of the profession, it includes the Lord Chief Justice, the Master of the Chief Justice, the Master of the Rolls, the President of the Family Division, the Vice Chancellor, a Lord Justice and two Judges of the Supreme Court, all of whom are active members. Each and all are supremely aware of the importance of maintaining the position of Her Majesty as the Fountain of Justice and have in fact taken particular pains to secure this in the new form of writ as will be made plain when

the rules are published.

I would be sorry to think that
Parliament should waste its time in discussing a modest, if long overdue, reform made solely in the interest of clarity and convenience, or your readers led to suppose that any issue of principle arises. I am also sorry to have wasted so much of your space in explaining a simple, but technical matter. But then you did publish Mr Weir's letter. I shall not pursue his other hares which in this context are not worth discussing.

HAILSHAM OF ST MARYLEBONE House of Lords. December 14.

ing and on "secondary" pressure Reforming trade unions

From Professor R. A. Turner Sir. Now that Mr Prior's Employment Bill has been published, might one who is not altogether unsympathetic to the TUC and Labour Party hope that they may still extract themselves from an insupportable nection? They can be loosed. able position? They can no longer object to legal regulation of industrial relations in general. There is **'eat deal of it aire** it introduced since 1974 with TUC

Of Mr Prior's four main proposals, what substantial objection can there or strike ballots? These are already common, are unlikely on average and in the result to fulfil the Gov-erument's more hopeful expectarions, and the unions don't have to take the money anyway.

The proposed extension of in-dividual rights of appeal against compulsion to union membership does not really seem uncivilized. It is hardly likely to materially affect the spread of "100 per cent trade unionism".

However, the proposals on picket-

union recruitment are perhaps well-intentioned, but may well raise problems for trade unionists who wish to assist workers with a determinedly anti-union employer. The law on picketing has in any case never really caught up with the invention of the internal combus-tion engine; and Mr Prior's Bill would do little to modernize it acceptably in this respect. was still room for negotiation, or

at least, for the unions to take up more publicly-sporoval stance these matters. They might very reasonably point out that the Conspirecy and Protection of Property Act is still on the Statute Book. Presumably no prosecutions were initiated under it in recent health service or other disputes because the authorities and employers be-lieved that such legalistic action would create martyrs and be self-defeating in its longer-run effects. Yours sincerely, H. A. TURNER.

Churchill Callege, University of Cambridge, December 10.

The European dream From Mr Anthony Morgan

Sir, It is an illusion to think that a united Europe can rest on a sound

economy alone.

Monuer's classic economic cure for Franco-German fratricide-the pooling of their essential war resources, onl and steel-from which Euroyean economic cooperation emerged, rested also on a well-prepared social and cultural entente, to which two commanding national figures com-mitted themselves and their coun-

Even if Mrs Thatcher does not behave like a British de Gaulle, stamming the door in Europe's face, as Arrigo Levi (December 11, Making the European dream come true) fears she might, any such "master plan" as he suggests for a British-sponsored oil and coal pool would still fail for want of the right kind Support.
But not for the reasons his article suggests, with those vague references to "feeling in our bones we don't belong to Europe" or "lack of instinctive proof from our his-torical past". That's old hat. His plan would simply fall into an educational void: our national systems are insufficiently coordinated to support such a degree of common purpose.

Between Britain and France, for example, there is nothing to comcooperation set up between France Germany as a complement to heir economic initiatives. They also have the advantage of well coordipated national or regional schools, unified syllabuses, ministeries of education and leaders who place education high on their list of national priorities. Yours faithfully. ANTHONY MORGAN. Burlington Avenue,

Kew Gardens.

December 12.

Richmond upon Thames.

The PLO and Israel From Mr David M. Jacobs

Sir, It would be surely very faolish to ignore the remarks of Mr Khalid Al Hassan, Chairman of the Poreign Pelations Committee of the Pales nne Liberation Organization, as reported in The Times (December 4). Mr Hassan makes it quite clear that the PLO still refuses to accept the existence of Israel. This is completely in line with the PLO's National Covenant which it has steadinstly refused to alter. It is not often realized that Article 12 of that Covenant calls for the reabsorption of the Palestin ans back into the Arab world once the objective of the destruction of Israel has been achieved.

From Professor G. E. M. Anscomisc

Sir, I wonder if the signatories to the theologians' letter of December

I could say which of these three

1. Church authority should never

examine any teaching to see whether it is in accordance with the Catholic

Faith, or advise the people that it is

2. The first proposition is false,

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G. E. M. ANSCOMBE,

This is why it would be a serious error of judgment to push Israel into accepting a Palestinian ministate whose stated objective would automatically remain the destruction of Israel. Therefore to argue as Mr T. E. Rogers (December 5) does that the West should force Israel into making concessions to the Palestinians at the present time would undermine the peace process and he a formula for war.

The only way out of the impasse West to use all its influence to bring Jordan, Syria and Sassa. Arabia into the peace negotiations. Yours faithfully. DAVID M. JACOBS,

23 Worley Road. St Albans, Hertfordshire.

Answering Vatican charges Closure of consulate

From Mrs Derek Barton Sir, A friend in Strasbourg writes of the consternation there at the British Government's proposal to close our consulate and its excellent library within the next few months. This will mean "we shall have nothing left in Strasbourg to provide a direct link with GB . . . if (the consulate and lib. ary) go it means that lo's of students at the Univer-sity will be deprived of vital means

information Are we really going to save money by cutting our cultural links with our friends abroad—and in Stras-bourg of all places, the meeting point for the Council of Europe? Yours, etc.

PHILLIPA BARTON. 49 Godfrey Street, SW3.

Plans for closures at British Steel

From Dr R. A. Bryer and Mr T. J.

Sir, With the full assistance of the Sir, With the full assistance of the trade unions and unfortunately, only the grudging cooperation of management, we have recently completed an independent financial analysis of the British Steel Coranalysis of the British Steel Corporation. The picture that we have built up differs so sharply from that presented by BSC to justify the current round of plant closures that we feel compelled to comment. Everyone wants BSC to behave commercially. However, it seems to us that the financial demands which the Government is making, and the actions that management is and the actions that management is caking, are anything but com-mercial. Given the inherent volatility of

demand for steel (for example, the average swing in demand in each of the last three cycles in the United Kingdom was 16 per cent and the inevitably high level of fixed costs in the industry, it is commercial madness to increase the volatility of profits by interposing a high level of fixed interest charges and then to ask interest charges and then to ask the industry to make profits each and every year. And yet, this is the situation into which BSC's managers have allowed the industry to regress. They claim that the closures are necessary because BSC is making intolerable "losses". However, the commercial reality is quite different. In comparison with our more commercially astute com-pentors. BSC is in effect acquiescing in the compulsory payment of "excessively large dividends". For example, whereas the proportion of RSC's total payments going to the government as interest has increased from 8.6 per cent in 1972 to 13.4 per cent in 1978, in the American steel industry interest and dividend payments combined amounted to only 6.5 per cent in 1972 and 6.05 per cent in 1978. In a worse financial situation BSC is paying twice the level of dividend

BSC's managers have nor com-plained about this intolerable burden because they brought it on themselves. Their 1972 Development Strategy was a reckless gamble with the future of the industry because first by the analyses on which it was based were wholly inadequate and, secondly, by allowing it to be financed with a large trunche of fixed interest debt capital they permitted the government to avoid all the risks which a financier would normally be expected to bear. If the government, in the face of stern warnings from their own independently appointed advisors (Mc-Kinsey's), were prepared to let the plan proceed, they should have accepted the risks and financed it with Public Dividend Capital (equity). The commercial reality of BSC's situation is that it is making modest losses and paying huge "dividends". The government's

cash limits should recognize this

In doing so the government should not ask BSC to make profits every year. Our competitors look for profits from steel over 10 to 15 years and so should we. Currently Japan has 30 per cent reserve capacity and the EEC has 34 per cent. Even on BSC's gloomiest demand forecasts (which are only for five years) it has 29 per cent. This is "excessive" for BSC and not for our competitors because in the medium to long term our competitions because in the medium to long term our competitors fully expect demand to pick up and they are retaining sufficient capacity to meet it, Meanwhile they keep their dividend and interest payments to the minimum and recover as much of their overheads as they can from export markets. They will have been glad to hear that BSC has destroyed a large

that BSC has destroyed a large slice of its reserve canacity and pulled out of export markets.

We have calculated that if BSC's finances were realistically restructured it would only take an increase of 8 per cent in its output to give it a profit of £35 million ps and a return on capital of 15 per cent. Given their record of mistakes, the Given their record of mistakes, the government cannot expect clear counsel from BSC's managers. The short term failure of demand and labour productivity (not labour costs per tonne of steel almost the lowest in the EEC1 provide convenient excuses. As for the Department of Industry, they told us that because of resource straints they have not looked in detail at BSC's plans since 1972. The most serious problem facing the steal industry is the almost complete absence of the discipline of com-mercial accountability. Yours faithfully,

R. A. BRYER. T. J. BRIGNALL. School of Industrial and Business Studies. University of Warwick,

From Mr R. Mansfield Sir, There appears to be an obvious inconsistency between the account given in The Times (December 12) of the cut back in capacity and jobs at the British Steel Corporation, and the argument put forward by Sir Charles Villiers, which has frequently been arressed in The Times editorials, that it is necessory to reduce overmanning. The inconsistency is that the reduction in capacity is just over 30 per cent which is nearly equal to the cut back in manpower of 34 per cent. so presumably the manning level is almost unchanged.

I am in no way connected with the steel industry, with unions or with a political party but am deeply concerned with the hardship which the BSC policy will produce. Yours faithfully,

R. MANSFIELD, 34 Friery Road, N12.

I hreat to local democracy From the Chairman of Merseyside County Council

Sir, It is fairly easy to answer the most important question posed in the letter from the Chairman of Somerser's Finance Committee (December 12). If the sinister ends now visible in the proposals Messrs Heseltine, King Fox and will be no role for "councillors of calibre". Both political parties have consistently made it plain that they should be seen, not heard; speak only when spoken to. The Local Government Bill-poised in the limbo of Central Lobby-is just about par for the course.

The steady accretion of power in

Whitehall nurtured the nationalist movements and very nearly led to

But we seem to have learnt nothing. This Government, which I lovally support and dutifully serve, opens the local government files where the last Government closed them the last Government chosed means leve, how come Tory threats of penalties for independent decision-making? How come arbitrary, uni-lateral reallocation of functions amid pleas for stability and continuity? How come monstrous Tory quangos to gobble up the freedom: supposedly restored to local elected representatives. Mr Luff may well tremble, as I do, for the grass roots. Yours, etc. KENNETH THOMPSON,

Chairman, Merseveide County Council, Metropolitan House, Ohi Hall Street. December 12.

Checked by a cheque From Mr R. Agrons

Sir. Mr Bernard (December 8) objects to the practice of writing cheques in rail queues and advocates separate ticket offices for those who do. Being myself one of his dreaded "students with knap-sacks", might I say that I too would welcome such an innovation, if only

his sort. There are several reasons why students in particular use cheque-books, and the need to impress their elders is certainly not one of them. In general, students receive by far the largest part of their incomes in grants, whether from local educating authorities or other sources. These are paid by cheque and must

to remove myself from the bad

tempered, impatient mutterings of

therefore be banked.
The large banks, however, do not usually trust students-probably rightly-with normal banking facili-

ties, but substitute an almost worthless card which guarantees chennes to the value of £10. Thus, travelling as I occasionally do between Bristol and London, a return ticket (price about £7 with student reduction) leaves me 53 in my pocket to spend.

ented by closed buliers must indi-cate that he has no such cash Your abedient servant. R. AARONS, 54 The Mall. Clifton Village, December 8.

A short reflection will show that I

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That Mr Bernerd is inconveni-

From Mr Peter Calvocarcan Sir, Some time can I rin a pri-sately to the station of are of one of London's his year ins. The rica now made publicly in your columns for separate coun 198 for 0 witness as ready to put cash on the noil for their tickets. I asked for a modern single counter. I was told this would be discrimination, I gave up. Yours faithfully. PETER CALVOCORESSI, Guise House, Aspley Guise,

Milton Keynes Buckinght mshire.

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From Mr Tom Putnem

Orpheus Underground From Mrs Michael Bird

Sir, Your correspondent who complained of the rudeness of people using public transport might like to know that the Paris Metro echoes with the sound of music. This not only makes people feel jolly and cheerful, but the authorities encourage student musicians because they are a discouragement to musgines. Perhaps London Transport might follow suit, instead of persecuting musicians?

Yours faithfully, VERONICA BIRD. 5 Glentham Cardens, Barnes, SW13.

Milking the dairy

Chianal Grange,

Change Smealy,

"heimsford.

December 12

From Mrs Barbara Davis Sir, My milkman nutwits the tils by laying an old for collar, closely resembling a cat passant reguardant. on top of the crates of milk bottles in his van. Yours truly, PARBARA DAVIS

Sir. Could God or his movements

Ere Midlands? The massers received from Each and Mozort is not getting through. PICHARD BILL,

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Sir, Playing with a tor of sean in my bath last night. I could not he'o but think of Sir Larnes Wallis. It was almost importable to boome the soup to the target area: name'y the plughole. Hereiver, if used as a torpedo. I achieved, efter a fair'y

lengthy session of trible a nearly 60 per cent success rate. Could your readers again as to why Sir Burnes did not use torpedoes?

Yours faithfully, TOM PUTNAM. 1 Verulam Buildings, Gray's Inn. WC1.

God's massanger From Mr Richard Hill

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The Cld Vicerese, Conton Kerrist, Grantham, Lincolnshire.



Forthcoming marriages

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Mr M. G. Duggan and Miss R. E. Scanlan

The engagement is announced be-

The Rev R. C. Godsall and Miss E. P. Benmett The engagement is announced between Ralph, eldest son of the late Mr J. C. Godsall and of Mrs Godsall, of Hereford, and Ellen, second daughter of the American Ambassador to Nato and Mrs William Tapley Bennett, Jr. of Brussels, Belgium.

Mr J. D. B. Marjoribanks and Miss E. L. Le M. Croll
The engagement is announced between James, younger son of Mr and Mrs John Marjoribanks, of Sandle Manor, Fordingbridge, Hampshire, and Emma Louise, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Derek Le M. Crolt, of Chestruts, Milford-on-Sea, Lymington, Hampshire.

Winning numbers in the weekly draw for Premium Savings Bond prizes, annouced on Saturday, were: 2100.000, STK 843890 (\$100.000, STK 843890 (\$100.000, STK 843890) (\$100.000, STK 843890) (\$10.000, STK 843890)

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE December 16: The Queen, Patron, the United Kingdom Committee of the International Year of the Child, accompanied by The Prince of Wales, this evening listened to a Carol Concert to mark the end of the International Year of the Child, if on the balcony of Buckingbam Palace.

The Prince of Wales attended

The Prince of Wales attended a performance of Verdi's Requiem Mass given by the London Philharmonic Orchestra, the London Philharmonic Choir and the Philharmonia Chorus at the Royal Albert Hall. Captain Anthony Asquith was in attendance.

The Queen will dine in the officers' mess, Royal Air Force, Marham, on January 23. The Prince of Wales will address a luncheon meeting of the British-Swass Chamber of Commerce in Zurich on January 18.

Sir Graham and Lady Rowlandson will not be sending Christmas cords this year and would like to take this opportunity of wishing all their friends a merry Christmas and a prosperous New

Mr D. Jonas
and Miss B. Gray
The engagement is announced
between Didier Jonas, of Pans
XVI. and Barbara Gray, of London
W2. The marriage will take place
in London in April, 1980. Sir Dan and Lady Mason regret that they are not sending any cards this year but wish all their friends a merry Christmas and a very happy New Year. Mr M. J. McWilliams
and Miss R. J. Gorard
The engagement is announced
between Michael, younger son of
Mr and Mrs F. McWilliams, of
Barbican, London, and Rowena,
eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs A.
J. Gorard, of Chew Magna, Bristol.

Birthdays today Dame Mary Cartwright, 79; Lord Glenamara, 68; Dame Elizabeth Hoyer-Miller, 69; Lord McFadzean, 76; Sir John McNee, 92; Lord Meston, 85; Major-General Sir Robert Neville, 83; Sir Hugh Norman-Walker, 63; Sir Alfred North, 79; Mr J. Murray Prain, 77.

Christening

The infant son of the Hon James and Mrs Hewitt was christened James Thomas Wingfield on December 16 by the Rev T. E. M. Ashton at Hursley Parish Church. The godparents are Major Nigel Chamberlayne-Macdonald. Mr Jeremy Baring, Mr John Highley, the Hon Mrs John Evans-Freke and the Hon Mrs Evan Baillie.

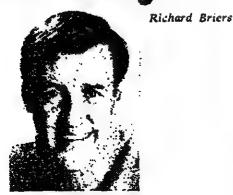
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Partisan spirit may show in synod elections

Heriz silk carpet fetches

£27,187 in New York sale

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent
S25,000) (estimate 520.000 S25,000) or £21,618. The magnitude of the sale of the

Captein the Hen Alan Brooke and Alias J. Cooke
The engagement is announced between Alan, elder son of Viscount and Viscountess Brookeborough, Ashbrooke, to Fermanagh, and Juner, only daughter of Mr and Mrs John Cooke, Ballyvoy Lodge, Doash, to Aprim. sidered not quite good manaers to draw attention to the rival blocks and factions within the Church of England, and in recent years the conventional wisdom has been to play down their significance. In his final address to the

tween Loon, son of the late F. Cohen and Mrs Rae Cohen, of South Africa, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs W Pinnington, of General Synod last month, however, the outgoing Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Donald Coggan gave a warning of the appearance of the opposite trend, a growth in a party type of politics which he said he had discerned in his years in office. It was a public admission of a phenomenon which has come The engagement is announced between Michael, elder son of Mrs.
A. Duggan and the late Mr W.
Duggan, of Windsor, Brisbane,
Australia, and Ruth, elder daughter of Major and Mrs. J. P. Scanlan, of Kensington, London.

close to the surface in the five years' life of the present synod. and the impending election of a new synod will give the first Mr O. J. Gillett and Miss J. K. Macaulay
The engagement is announced between Oliver James, son of Mr and Mrs A. H. P. Gillett, of Ealing, Loadon, and Janet Kathryn, daughter of Mr and Mrs F. R. V. Macaulay, of Chew Magna, Avon. chance to test to what extent that partisan spirit has pene-trated to the church at local

and bliss D. J. Young
The marriage took place on Saturday at St James's, Gerrards Cross. Buckinghamshire, of Mr Geoffrey Hudson, son of Mr and Mrs Richard Hudson, of 3 Richmond Road, Wimbledon, SW2D, and Miss Deborah Young, younger daughter of Sir Brian and Lady Young, of Hill End, Woodhill Avenue, Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire, Canon J. G. Harrison and Father Authony Laundy took part in the service.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Alexandra Grant-Peterkin, Miss Angela Russell and Miss Janet Wright. Mr Jeremy Hudson was best man.

A reception was held at Denham Golf Club and the honeymoon will be spent in Malta.

Miss Kathleen Frances Davy, of Tanaton. Somerset, left £26,346 net. After bequests she left the residue to the National Trust. Sir William Arthian Davies, QC. of Great Missenden, Buckinghamshire, former Lord Justice of Appeal, left £95,548 net.

Other estates include (net. before tax paid; tax not disclosed):

Barr, Dr John Kenneth, of Driffield, Humberside ... \$155,880

Biedermann, Mr Ralph Alfred, of Axminster, Devon ... £195,325

Capiter, Mr Frederick Milner, of Southport, Merseyside £287,993.

Parliamentary Notices

Mr G. R. F. Rudson and bliss D. J. Young

Latest wills

Religious Affairs Correspondent along theological lines, and is it has been traditionally con-It reflects the turbulent origins and history of the Church of England as a broad coalition of all shades of Catholic and Protestant thinking.

At the General Syund level, it is not difficult to observe the operation of three main tenden-cies: Evangelical, "New Synod

Group, and Anglo-Cetholic.
Although there is absolutely
no formal party structure, the
most synod members can be
placed in one of those brackets -some centrally, some more towards the edge.

It was unmistakably the Anglo-Catholics who were the

targets of Dr Coggan for they organized themselves to an unprecedented degree to oppose any further progress towards the ordination of women. The Anglo-Catholic movement in the Church of England is goinglevel.

Those internal divisions have and growth which is not yet so nothing to do with the classic left-right polarization of secu-

Sale Room Correspondent
A Heriz siik carpet woven with a scrolling vine pattern and flower heads on a golden-brown field made \$67,500 (estimate \$50,000 to \$60,000) or \$27,187. in a sale of uriental carpets at Sotheby Parka Bernet in New York on Saturday. The rug measures about 9th x 6ft and was bought by a New York private collector.

The anctioneers said there had been a rebound in prices, which have come down a lone way since the Iranian revolution last spring. There were 112 lots on offer, of a bick 23 failed to find buyers. The knock-down total was \$1559,523.

Another high-paired corporation

Another high-priced carpet also

went to a private American bover, a Tabriz, about 13ft x 10ft, with a six-blue forked leaf and petal-formed central medallion. It made

I Oday's engagements
Princess Alexacirs attends carolservice of London Fire Brigade,
St Paul's Cachedral, 8.
Taiks: Evoch Powell, "Speaking
synoptically". Sion College,
Victoria Embankment, 3. "The
Alexander rechnique "East
West Centre, Old Street, 7.
Exhibition: Painting, sculpture
and architecture, Royal West of
England Academy, Queen's
Road, Bristol, 16-5-30.
Christmas Show: The Astounding

Today's engagements

The kr £459,523.

ably strong enough to march, if not eventually overshedow, the present strength of the Evan

gelicals.

The "New Synod Group",
deliberately formed to provide a
way of escape from the old
Catholic Evangelical dichotomy,
has attracted those of a more liberal, doctrinal outlook but does not have the infrastructure to exist 25 a party inside

the church.
Having weathered the storm over woman priests, the Church of England has yet to face an even more stringent test of its capacity for positive compro-mise. During the course of the mise. During the course of the next syand the church will almost certainly have in choose whether its ecumenical future lies with the free churches or ultimately with Rome—which in the short and probably the middle term would mean continuing in friendly ecumenical isolation.

The Evangelicals, to a man. would prefer the former direc-tion, for their slight measuress towards the presence of a Catholic tradition within

Anglicanism is nothing to their miscivings in the direction of the Roman Catholic Church. For many an Apple Cacholic For many an Apple Carbolic in stark contrast, the Church of England is justified in its continuing separate existence only if it is wholeheartedly working to heal the breach with the Pope. If that door was ever finally closed—and union with the Church like the United Reformed Church would probably amount to that, aitho

substantial part of the Anglo-Catholic body would find its conscience under severe stress. The main influence of the two traditional parties is, however, negative. Each is strong enough to veto something the other badly wants. Two conservative factions able to block each others' ambitions, results in an ultra-conservative stale.

it is not necessarily so in the

sate. Whether that is what the church at large waters will not be known until the first division in the newly elected synoid on traditional party lines,

English bridge team chosen for internationals

Teams to represent England in the senior, junior, and women's serious of the home countries bridge internetions of the home countries bridge internetionals, amounced by the English Bridge Union, are:

Lannary 19-do, r. D. Alder and B. J. Carrows Cap r Wiles at Purtholan. January 19-do, r. D. Alder and B. J. Shire, a. R. Farrester and R. Emplest. Non-playing captain, J. G. Faufinh. Non-playing captain, J. G. Faufinh. Caurase Cap r Sentined is Glasgow on Vertairy 3-10; R. A. Priday and C. Rodrigue: G. Calderwood and E. Marvis: A. E. Forrester, and R. Emelald. Non-playing captain, R. E. Starley. Discording them r. Rome Committee at Marvis: A. E. Forrester, and R. Emelald. Non-playing captain, R. E. Starley. Discording and R. A. Caffee S. J. Ladge and G. T. Kirbr.

Lady Mina Cap at Shofffeld on June C. Lindield: Mrs M. Emmer and Mrs E. Carri Mira A. L. Flaming and Mrs G. Carri Mira A. L. Flaming and Mrs G. Carri Mira A. L. Flaming and Mrs J. A. Shaham. Non-playing captain. E. C.

Memorial service

S48,000 (estimate 520,000 to \$25,000) or £21,618. The main failure was a wast Tabriz (39ft a £2ft), which was bought in at \$35,000 (estimate \$40,000 to \$60,000) or £15,909. The size probably mid against it; it vould interest only someone with a palace to furnish.

On Friday Sotheby Parke Bernet in New York held a two-session and devoted to works of are or hiddle East interest, including indian miniatures, islamic pottery and glass, and oriental scenes painted in oils by mineteenth-century European artists.

As in London last month, Indian windarners were not, in the main, finding buyers. That seems to be a delayed reaction to the Iranian revolution. Persian miniature prices dropped first and Indian are following. The sale totalled £144,593, with \$8 of 458 loth timeds. Sir Lance Mallalieu
The Speaker was represented by
Mr Edward Lyons, QC, MP, at a
memorial service for Sir Lance
Mallalieu, QC, held at St Law
rence's. Frodingham, near Scunrhorpe, yesterday. The Rev E. B.
Greathead officiated, assisted by
the Ven R. W. Dudman, Mr Huon
Mallalien (son), read the lesson
and Bishop Gerald Colin gave an
address.

Inner Temple

Mr M. Morland, QC, Mr R. G. Rongier, QC, and Mr J. M. Drink-water, QC, have been elected Matters of the Bench of the inner-Temple.

Phajer-General: Srig. P. H. Lee. MOD as Director General of Alectrical and Mechanical Engineering. Legislic Executive (Army). Der 19.

Brimmfers: Col. S. V. H. Fullerton. HAPC. Computer Lanter as Chief Paymaster (ADP). Der 21: Col. D. N. Jones. RSA asé Larkhill Gerrison as Comdi. Dec 21: S. N. Lara. MOD at Comdi. Dec 21: S. N. Lara. MOD at Condi. Dec 21: M. G. M. Stetle. MOD as BGS AMD/HDB. Nov. 25.

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more, plano, St Lawrence Jeary, I; Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols, St Michael's; Cornhill, I; Mosic for Caristmas, students from the American School in London, St Anne and St Agnes, 1.10. Memorial service: Mr Sefton Delmer, St Bride's, Fleet Street, 1E.30.

Appointments in the

Forces

Adventures of Tom Thumb, Uni-corn Theatre, Great Newport Street, Westminster.

Lunchtime music : Michael Black-

25 Years Ago From The Times of Friday, December 17, 1954

House of Commons
Today at J.30: Employment 8th, second reading. Motions on Procumorations in Commons in Commons in Commons in Commonstituding the Commonstituding in Commonstituding in Commonstituding in Commons in Common The Hunt Servant Many of our viewpoints have of necessity been readjusted since the war, many of our standards of living have been altered, and nowhere is this more obvious than in the hunding field. In many hunts a triumvirate of joint masterships has superseded the benevolent autocracy of a sole master. Men who in more spacious days owned studs of a dozen or more hunters now carefully trundle their solitary stead in a small trailer horsebox towed by a Land-Rover. Girts act as Select Committees
Today: Monday, Documber 17:
Treasury and Civil Service Committee. male domain. Change over change has taken place in style of hund-ing, in conditions and especially

House of Lords second raiding. Southern Provisions of Constitution interim Provisions of Constitution interim Provisions of Constitution interim Provisions of Constitution of Constitution of Constitution of Constitutions of C

Select Committees

Dinner. The annual Chanukah dinner of the Maccabreans was held at the Royal Lancaster Hotel last night. The guests of honour were Sir Hugh Casson and Mr Abram Games. The Hon Ewen Montagu. QC. president, was in the chale and Mr J. Godfrey-Gilbert also moke.

ROYAL Navy

REAR-ADMRAL: D. J. Mallifax, Chief
of Staff to Commonder-in-Chief Fleet,
June, 1981,
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Lord, June 5: A. W. Wheeler, Oscialish
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Science report

Cell biology: Control of sex chromosomes

By the staif of Nature

Some established ideas about the regulation of the early stages of mammalian development are likely to be changed in the light of recent studies of abnormal human ceils that have an extra set of chromosomes. The ceils, which have been in store for some time without attracting scientific attention, have particularly useful seatchromosomes.

Biologists studying the way genes and chromosomes interact to easure normal development have long been interested in the activity of mammalian sex chromosomes. The

manufactural in the activity of manufactural sex chromosomes. The system of sex determination in system of sex determination in mammals ensures that while malest receive from their parents one X and one Y chromosome, females receive two X chromosome, females receive two X chromosomes. But both of the latter remain active only in certain cells of the ovaries, while in all other parts of the normal female the cells contain one fanctional X chromosome and one that is imactive. one inactional X chromosome and one that is inactive.

The process leading to leactivation is known to be completed very early in mammakan embryonic life. A few class are also beginning to emerge about the way inactivation is controlled and know it is maintained throughout life. With answers to these questions, biologists might learn something about

the regulation of the behaviour of chromosomes in general, Most people have assumed that X chromosomes are autonomous, controlling their own activity withcommuting their own activity withnot influence from other chromosomes. But now evidence is
accumulating to suggest otherwise. The evidence is coming from
studies with triploid human cells,
which have three sets of chromocentus inventual from the manifester. which have three sets of chromosomet instead of the usual tro.
When conceived, human triploids rarely survive to term, and
the cells that are now proving so
useful have been grown from a
sample originally taken from a
fetus that was aborted spoutaneously after 28 weeks of pregmancy. That particular source has
the double advantage that its sex
thromosome constitution is XXY,
and because of a genetic difference
one X can be distinguished from
the other.

when active, each A caromo-same specifies the production of a slightly different form of the enzyme glucose-f-phusphate de-hydrogenase. As the two forms of the enzyme can be distinguished blochemically, it is possible in tell which of the two X chromosomes which of the two x chromosomes is active in the cells.
Using that system, Dr B. R. Migeon and her colleagues at Johns Hopkins University in Balti-

not the three issue of cen that had the cells they have studied throughout many rounds of multiplication. They remained active inspire of attempts to disrupt the cells by fusing them with normal threat the cells the cell cells by fusing them with normal human or mouse cells or by infecting them with viruses.

It is not clear why two X chromosomes instead of one can remain active in triptoid cells. But Dr Migeon and her colleagues believe that the rest of the chromosomes in the cell must be involved in some way. If the X chromosomes were regulating themselves, one of them would be expected to be inactive and the other active, whether there were two or three sets of chromosomes present in the cells.

How the interaction between ear chromosomes and the rest english be occurring remains to be seen. But the latest results will add a new dimension to future leffberations on the mechanisms responsible for X inactivation.

Source: Cell (volume 18, page 637 November, 1979).

Nature-Times News Service, 1979.

Farmers feel they have found a winning streak on prices Derrick Hornby, president of the

The latest devaluation of the green pound confirms fully the suggestion made in this column a fortugint ago that the Government had placed farming in a a special category in which it would receive exceptionally favourable

By securing a second devaluation of 5 per cent, the Government has raced ahead of its general election manifesto. That said that the Conservatives intended to ensure within the lifetime of a Parliament that British farmers would be able to compete on level terms with their counterparts elsewhere in Europe. That meant that the Conserva-That meant that the Conserva-tives wanted to eliminate the gap between British farm prices and those elsewhere in Europe by devaluing the green pound in stages over live years. The Government has in fact come close to removing the gap in little more than six months. On the day before the Cahinet meeting at which the Government decided to seek a sew devaluation, the Food Manufacturers' Federation sent a letter to all members of the Cabinet. "We are strongly opposed to yet another devaluation at this time?", Mr.

federation, wrote, it was a tough message, which would have been used when Mr John Silkin was Audister of Agriculture, Fasteries and Food as a pretest for not desalving the green pound. The present Gorserument, however, has craftily and successfully defused the obsession with food prices fostered when Lahour was in power. Mr Peter Walker, the present minister, could therefore aftered to appore the means from the forestion. the message from the federation.

The farmers' unions have clearly decided after years of strict price control under the Labour Participate they have found a winning streak. Immediately after the devaluation was ancounted, the National Suppose. streak. Immediately after the devaluation was amounted, the
National Farmers' Union said that
it wanted another one, not to
memion price rises on products
unaffected by the green pound.
It also wanted increases in common EEE farm prices near rear.
The union said that the proceeds
from the latest devaluation would
be wallowed by a 21 per cent
water rise to farmworkers.

The attitude of the NFU will
appear to its critics to be that of: ane attribute of the NFU will appear to its critics to be that of a man who with the jackpot on a fruly inschine and then presents

Agriculture **Hugh Clayton**

in the hope of extracting even more money from it.

The wage rise, which will being more than 100,000 farm-workers in Eugland and Wales, was imposed on the KFU at a meeting of the Agricultural Wages Board. The KFU said efferwards that the award would wages sourd. The KPO sand afterwards that the award would force some farmers to lay off farmworkers. It has shown to sign yet of extending the same principle to inself, by tempering its claims for higher prices with the suspicion that farmers might rather thempers and of the

price themselves out of the market. That is what hes at the heart of the argument of the Food Manufacturers' Federation: it food costs too much people will eat less or buy more from abroad. If that happens, the federation argues, farmers will be protected by the guarantee mechanism of the Common Agricultural Policy while frod componies will always.

Yet farmers have a good reason for not beeding the warnings of the Prime Minister about labour pricing itself out of the market by witning large pay rises. It is clear that the does not intend such warnings to apply to them. She recognizes the strategic importance of farming in a country which still imports almost half of its food.

of its food.

The NFU has made it clear that British farmers, want not only a further increase in British prices through the green pound mechanism, but a further one through a rise in common EEC prices at the annual price-fixing in Brussels ment year.

The landary of the NFU bears

The leaders of the NFU have therefore rejected the policy of freezing prices of products for which the Community has carwhich the Community has carplants.
The assion appears now to have
adopted a policy of claiming increases on everything in Sight.
Such an animale seems unrealletic after the rejection by the
European Parliament of the Community-budget for near year. That
rejection has inventment the
hand of the British Edvertment
in its campaign for restraint in
Community appointing and if the
British isomplication in fe.

OBITUARY

MR LAWRENCE TANNER Life of service to Westminster Abbey

bourhood ceases to have rel-

Precincts of the Abbey, on the acquired is in the main due to appointment of his father, who left a vivid impression upon how, after the Service in 1931, him, as the Honsemaster of Frincess Helena Victoria suggrants at Westmaster School. gested that the Sovereign much his fife, henceforth, was mextricably linked up with the for tricably linked up with the for distribution, adding that she tunes of these two institutions, felt sure that King George both of which he served with would attend if invited to do distinction and loved dearing.

Levrence Tamper entered custom is for the Sovereign to distinction and loved dearly.

Lawrence Tamper entered Westminster at the age of 10 and was there for nine years, his bent being obviously towards history. Among his companions was Advian Bent who remained a life-long friend. From school he went up to Pembroka College Cambridge. In 1919 his furura was determined by two invitations, both of which he accepted to take over the history VII at Westminster School, and to become Clerk to the Weavers' Company.

the Weavers' Company.
As a teacher he made his As a teacher he made his mark on successive generations of boys. They included John Gielgud, Gerald Ellison and Angus Wilson. His teaching methods were singularly modern—to "encourage an amosphere of informality, friendliness and confidence" so that individual boys could "develop and educate themselves". In this he made history come alive, using to the full the mique associations of the Abbey.

Lawrence Tanner's connext.

Lawrence Tanner's connex-

Lawrence Tanners connaxions with the Weavers' Company lasted over 40 years, his tenure of office being a model of self-effacing ract and compatent management. The esteem in which he was held was indicated in his being made a member of the court in 1960 and made part with 1960 and made to the court in 1960. member of the court in 1960 and upper bailiff 1963-54.

Westminster Abbey fascinated him and constituted a permanent allegiance. He was already familiar with its library and when H. P. Westlake died suddenly in 1926 he was the obvious successor as Keeper of the Muniments. He became Librarian in 1956. He applied himself to his new responsibilities, with energy, calenponsibilities with energy, celen-daring the invaluable medieval collection in the library and making these manuscripts He himself acquired a thorough working knowledge He himself of everything which the library contained and as a result deve-loped a sixth sense enabling him to ferret out oddities of information. He gave Mr How-grave-Graham his expect co-speration in the highly tech-nical task of restoring the Abbey efficies. He was asso-ciated with many Abbey discoveries and investigations. Par-haps the most famous was the examination in 1933 of the sup-posed bones of the Princes in

posed bones of the Princes in the Tower, Tanner's contribution to the article in which he
and Professor William, Wright
recorded their findings was a
model of fairness and scholarly
precision. But Lawrence Tanner did not only address himself to a specialized, etudita
clientele. He spent much time
and energy going up and down
the country giving lectures on
all aspects of Abbay life, making his subject attractive to ing his subject attractive to ordinary people.

Mr. Lawrence Tanner, CVO. However, he was not inactive Secretary to the Royal with his pep. A list of his publications on various aspects Librarian (1956-72), and Keep. of Abbey and School history is er (1926-66) of Westminster long and impressive, all being Abbey, died on December 15. informed by an objective approach which gained him the respect of learned societies. With the death of Law respect of learned societies. His researches into past Corounique Westminster figures in mations enabled him to give an age when old land marks practical guidance for the are being groded and neigh ordering of these historic and bourhood ceases to have reltraditional ceremonies. He claimed to be the only living

essentially geared to locality person present in the Abbey at and the injuncties which went the last four.

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infinite courtesy, together with
his sound scholarship, brought
practical results.

During the Second World
War he went to live at Brough
on, near Stockbridge, and took
there the more valuable of

there the more valuable of Abbey treasures. Indeed, Henry V's sword and the carved head of Abbot Islip adorned his drawing room. He rose to the rank of corporal in the Henry Charles and it was the Home Guard, and it was while in the country that he met and married Joan, daughter of the Hon Assheton Curzon. They were devoted to each other.

His friends will long remember His friends will long remember his tail, upright, spare figure, without an ounce of spare fitsh; his bow its immaculately in place. The total impression was in character; he was as tidy, and neat in his appearance as in his scholarship. His fund of stories was inexhaustible and in spite of their characteristic lack of their characteristic lack of malice, never failed to interest and anterizin. Conversation was to him an art to be cultivated, his distinctive diction being clear and mannered. Not surprisingly he won the Winchester Reading Prize at Cambridge. In 1969 he wrote his Recollections of a Westminster Antiquary which in its restraint, refined sentiment, feel for the past, and modesty, was tyaical. After the death of his wife in 1971 he came to live in a flat almost within the Abbey Precincts. It became a magnet which drew a stream of visitors from the Abbey, the School and bayond. Amous Westminster boye and masters he made many new friends. malice, never failed to interest he made many new friends.

It was appropriate that warious honours should be conferred upon him during the course of his long life. He was a Pellow and Vice-President of the Society of Antiquaries; of Fellow of the Royal Historical Society; Vice-President of the Society of Genealogists and of the Royal Archaeological Insti-tute; and President of the Bri-tish Archaeological Association. He was appointed CVO in-1958, and the Order of St John of Jarusalem. In 1967 the University of Southampton conferred on him the honorary degree of DLitt.

Lawrence Tanners world of the Public School, the City Company and the Learned Learned Society may need adjustment to changing circumstances as he himself was the first to admit. Yet whatever the pattern of things to come the high standard of personal integrity which he consistently maintained will not cease to be relevant. His Christian Faith was as simple as it was pro-

PROFESSOR CHARLES McBURNEY

Professor Charles McBurney, samples taken for radiocarbo FBA, FSA, who died on December 14, at the age of 65, enjoyed a world-wide reputaenjoyed a world-wide reputation as a prehistorian. As
University Lecturer in Archaeology, 1953-67, as Reader 196777, and since 1977 as Professor
of Quaternary Prehistory at
Cambridge he produced a succession of brilliant pupils as
well as making seminal contributions to our understanding of
the Middle and Later phases of
the Palaeolithic over extensive
areas of. Eurasia and North
Africa. He was brought up in
the New Porest where his
American parents made their
home and was effected
privately. He chose to become a
British citizen at the nadir of
our national fortunes in 1940, our national fortunes in 1940, the year in which he was elec-ted a Research Fellow of his first college, King's Like many archaeologists of his generation he did his war service in the RAPVR inter-preting air-photographs. This took him to North Africa which

left a permanent mark on him. On resuming his Fellowiship he wrote his first book. Prehistory and Pleistocene Geology of Cyrenaican Libya (1955), in conjunction with Richard Bey, the malaries with research in the the geologist, who served in the same theatre, A Pelican The Stone Age in Northern Africa (1960) reflected the experience in emposition that came to him as a University Lecturer.

Meanwhile three campaigns of excavations between 1951 end 1955 in the great cave of Ham Fresh with its sixty distinct levels provided an un-rivalled means of training the students to whom he was de-voted. The years spent in stidying the half million fluts, the many thousands of animal bones and the numerous

Mr William Henry Braine CBE, who died on November: B, in San Remn, was formerly Assistant Security: Minimus of

samples taken to radiocarde i daing and other purposes gave successive generations of students an insight that no amount of reading or attendance at lectures could provide. The results set out in The Haun Freeh (Commission) and he foreign. Freah (Cyrenaica) and the Stone Age of the South-east Mediter-Age of the Southeast Mediterranean (1967) provided a document of prime importance to
prehistorians as much for its
demonstration of method as for
its substantive value.

Akhough North Africa
claimed much of McBurney's
attention, his research interesis were by no means

terests were by no means confined to this region. He undertook excevations of crucial importance at the Corte de St Brelade, Jersey, as well as on the British main-land. He was keenly interested in the relations between the palaeolithic of Russia and that of central and western Europe and made this the subject of his Reckit Archaeological Lecture to the British Academy of which he was elected a Fellow in 1966. His concern with the emergence of Upper from Middle Palaeolithic culture took him to central Asia where he excavated on the Caspian shore and in Afghanistan

Charles McBurney was a true professional. Without interest in self-promotion he devoted himself to his researches and en-sured that his pupils acquired a similar devotion. He deeply supreciated his Fellowship of Corpus Christi to which he was elected in 1952. He was a keen fly fisherman and a devoted family man. His pupils in every part of the world will mourn a man of probity who found satisfaction in a life well lived.

He married, in 1953, Apperaises Edmonstone Charles.

They had two sons and one Major Michael Grissell, lare 10th Royal Hussars, died on December 8, at the age of 66. He was High Sherriff of Sussex from 1967.

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elected by a majority reduced to 647. It was characteristic of

him that when he reached his seventieth birthday in 1968 Cary celebrated the event over a period of three days by enter-

Mr Roger Hugh Cars, who was born on January 8, 1926.

Sir Kenneth

Robson



DON SALVADOR DE MADARIAGA

Internationalist and man of many parts

Jon Salvador de Madariaga, Spanish former political are and writer on historical i kindred subjects (pictured in with his wife), died on December 14, 1978, in Loco, Switzsrland: He was 92. his many-sided man, born in 6, was the son of Don: 6 de Madariaga, a colonel in Spanish army, and began as an engineer. He was icated at the Instituto del denal Cisneros, Madrid, and College Chaptal and Ecole ytechnique in Paris, and ame adviser to the Superin-dem of the Line of the thern Spatish Railway, But

natural gifts asserted themes early, and, while stillfessional adviser to the railfrom 1911 to 1916, he bete known as a journalist and
slicist in Spain and France.
In 1916 to 1922 he lived in idon, entirely as a writer. took an active interest in project of a league of ons, and, when the League formed, became one of the retaries, as Secretary to the

tament, as is well known, ed, and were succeeded by d Robert Cecil's extempere imission which attempted give the military and havel sion its full representation. dariaga's knowledge as an incer, as well as an accomplid writer in at least three lan-

tion or disarmament.

guages, gave him a special value in this work. But military opinion was too strong, and in 1927 the commission was dissolved, and in 1928 Madariaga was steeted to fill the newly created King Alfonso XIII-Chair of Spanish Studies in Oxford, which was attached to Exeter College, of which he letter become an Hospirary Fellow. In came an Hosorary Fellow. In 1931 he again changed his pro-fession, and became Spanish Ambassador, first to the USA, and then to France (1932-1934).

and then to France (1932-1934).

In 1931 he was appointed Permanent Spanish Delegate to the League, to show the country's permanent attitude to the League, in especies of party. In this capacity he drew up a full and well-informed statement of Spanish policy, which was promptly attacked by some of the Left Republicans and made a grievance against the Foreign Minister. The Minister and repudiated Madariaga's policy, whereupon Madariaga's policy, whereupon Madariaga produced the copy which had been sent to the Minister and signed by him as a token of approval Madariaga resigned from the Government, and since the Franco rebellion, with which he could not sympathize, broke our soon afterwards, he was left in the middle of a civil war, an object of harred to both parties. Both would shoot me, que from in from, and one from behind."

Deprived of his estate and all

his property, as well as of all his offices, he returned to Oxford which, for the rest of his life, became his home or, rather, his base; for, as an established leader of thought in furnity and the appropriate of the property of the prope Europe and the standard-bearer of the cultured liberal opposition which was, at that time, exiled or persecuted everywhere in Europe, he was in constant demand as a

lecturer in every part of the civilized world. He travelled averywhere, as indefacigable in his sixtles and seventier as other men half his age. He was undaunted in his vicissitudes and, in life as in argument, being driven into a corner was being driven into a corner was a chellenge to fight his way out of it. A man of utter integrity, of it. A man of utter integrity, he stimulated even the dullest by the vigour of his paradox, and there have been few more exciting talkers or more lively

Honours rained upon him American Empire. (1947);
Bolivar. (1952). Of his many lively novels, The Heart of United States of America, Jade, (1944), translated into a France, China, Czechoslovskia, was the most successful. Mexico: In political work, he the Congress for Freedom and Culture, and a leading member of the Cultural Section of the European Movement, of the College of Europe at Bruges, and the European Centre of Culture at Geneva. Funds he no doubt might have had, but

would not accept; and it was

with Spain. He wrote essays on English and Spanish Poetry, on Hamler, and on Don Quixote, (1920), on Spanish Folksongs, on the Genius of Spain (1923), on Englishmen, Frenchmen, Spaniards, (1928), and, later, on Americans, (1930); Anarchy or Hierarchy, (1937); Theory and Practice in International or Hierarchy, (1937); Theory and Practice in International Relations, (1938); The World's Design, (1938); Victors Beware! (1938). Other books were works of historical research—The Rise of the Spanish American Empire, 1947: The Ball of the Spanish (1947); The Fall of the Spanish American Empire. (1947);

his frequent contributions to the higher press of England, America, France, and Spanish

In 1912 he

Constance Archibald, who shared to the full his cheerful intrepidity. There were two daughters of the merriage.

In 1935 he entered Parliaappointed honorary Air Commodore to RAF Central Medical Establishment, an honour only bestowed once before.

tralasia.

His versatility is further illustrated by his high standing in the sphere of life insurance: for many years he was chief medical referee to the Confederation Life Insurance Company. He was also a consultant to King Edward VII Hospital for Offi cers and King Edward VII Hospital, Midburst. It was typical of a man of so many parts, who could pack so much into the twenty-four hours with out any apparent effort that in Who's Who he should record his recreation as "pottering

He was born in 1909 and educated at Bradfield Christ's College, Cambridge, and the Middlesex Hospital, where be qualified in 1933. He was ap-pointed C.B.E. in 1959 and knighted in 1968.

Mr Anatoli Kuznetsov

Russian author who left the Soviet Union to live in Britain nine years ago, died on June 14 at the age of 49. Kuznetsov was perhaps best known for his novel, Babi Yar, a graphic account of events which took place in the Ukraine after the German accupation of Kiev in 1941. In the book Kuznetsov, a boy of 12 living in the Ukraintoday. This completes the series

On November 16, 19 and 23 The Times published an

Obituaries Supplement in three parts.

A further selection of some notable careers appears

in which 70,000 Jews were herded to the now infamous ravine of Babi Yar on the outskirts of Kiev, stripped and mown down by gunfire. Later the Soviet authorities erected a dam at one end of the ravine but this burst in 1961 with heavy loss of life among local The Soviet Government did

time of the German invasion, recounted the details of large-

German forces in the region,

not see fit to erect a memorial to the victims of the massacre (and sought to expunge reference to the second catastrophe from Soviet history) but Kurnetsov reconstructed the epi-sode in vivid detail in his book magazine Yunost, then edited by Yevgeni Yevtush-enko, himself the author of a poem of the same ritle. Soviet authority ensured that this ver-sion was heavily censored but Kugnetsov had already microfilmed the unexpurgated book and buried the film.

As the propaganda offen-sive against Russian authors critical of the regime height-ened he found his position increasingly difficult and in increasingly difficult and in 1969 managed to get permis-sion to come to Britain where he sought asylum. The expur-gated Babi Yar had been pub-lished in an English transla-tion in 1967 but with Kuznet-sov's arrival with the micro-film a new translation was posfilm, a new translation was pos-sible and this appeared in 1970.

A later novel, The Fire, dealt with the Russian labour situacalculated to square with the teners of Socialist Realism and Kuznetsov also published (with G. Stein) several plays and wrote a number of short stories.

Mr Rupert

Mr Rupert Croft-Cooke. BEM, who died on June 10, at the age of 75, was one of the most versatile and prolific writers of his time. In his entry in Who's Who he listed his recreations as All, and this exhuberant thirst for experience was reflected in the remarkable range of his literary output. He wrote novels his raphies, short stories, literary and artistic critiques, books of expertise on a wide variety of subjects from durts to wine, travel books, plays, poetry and polemics; and under another name a large number of popular detective stories as well. It was however, in his numerous however in his numerous volumes of autobiography that his talents were best displayed dis easy, vivid style of writ-ing, his dry and sometimes abrasive wit and above all his ability to convey the essences of the periods and places about which he wrote. Although none of his books achieved the success of a best-seller, he is likely to be assured of a lasting place in English literature both as a on the events and attitudes of

his generation. He was born at Edenbrides n Kent on June 20, 1903. His father was a London stock-broker of conventional views, and it was partly perhans as a reaction to his upbringing and the expectations of his preents that Croft-Cooke sought from au early are to establish his own identity through un-orthodoxies of behaviour and belief. These led to his removal from two public schools before he completed his education at Wellington, now Wrekin College, Salop. Eschewing opportunities of more requ lar employment, he tried to earn his living as a freelance iournalist in Argentina and in the bohemian frinces of London Kent, while He made his first tentative essays in literature and slowly and sometimes pair fully learnt the ways of lishers and agents. during this period that he left the Church of England and became a Roman Catholic. After a series of well-

reviewed but unprofitable poems and plays, the comparative success of his novel Night Out in 1932 persuaded Croft Cooke that writing might after all provide him with the way of life he wanted and the means to afford it. He travelled widely, often in the company of circus people, and produced a number of novels, of which Shoulder the 5ky was outstand-ing and the first of his many admirable volumes of biography. He also cdited Major Road Ahead, a collection of essays by his contemporaries of various creeds and philosophies explaining why

bey would fight Fascism

wherever it appeared. He joined

the army on the outbreak of he had made his name and war and was posted to the fame. He was also Pro-channel-

Intelligence Corps in 1940. He earned the BEM in Madagascar and rose from the ranks to obtain a commission as a Field Security Officer in India. He returned to England in 1946 and continued to write novels and slices of autobiography based mainly on his

war experiences and later travels with gypsies. Some were better received than others but in 1953 Harvest Moon reestabin 1953 Harvest Moon reestab-lished his reputation as a serious writer. In the same year however he was sent to prison for homosexuel offences. He left England soon afterwards and eventually settled in Tan-gier where he lived for the next 15 years. He flourished in this relaxed and cosmopolitan armo-sphere, and it was here that he did much of his best work, producing for a time as many as five books a year. Among his successes were Bosie, a study of Lord Alfred Douglas, and Feasting with Panthers, several well-informed and imaginative books on wine and cooking. some excellent novels about the world of crime like Clash by Night and Paper Albarross, and particularly happy string of further volumes of autobi-ography from The Tengerine House in 1956 to Happy Highways in 1967.

Although he left Tangier in 1969 and was on the move for some years searching unsuccessfully for another congenial home abroad, he continued his large and varied output of books, and it was during this period that his Unrecorded Life of Oscar Wilde was published. In 1973 he abandoned his exotic search and settled in Bournesurprise, he discovered that life in England had fewer disadvantages and more delights than he had supposed. Here he con-tinued writing, and among his later works were several more volumes of autobiography, cul-minaring in a final volume, The

dictable and unpredictable friends, some of whom perhaps will remember him as much for his gay, debonair charm and mordant wit as for the astonishing range and quality of his

Lord MacDermott

Lord KiacDermott, PC, who died on July 13 at the age of 83, had been Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland from 1951 to 1971. He had previously, after a brilliant career at the Bar and on the Bench in Ulster, been a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary from 1947, until he resigned to take up the office which he had hold until his death.

John Clarke MacDermott was the son of the lare Rev John April 12, 1896. He was educated April 12, 1896. He was educated at Campbell College, Jelfast, and Queen's University. Belfast, where he was a foundation scholar in 1914. Then came the war, when he served as a lieutemant in the 51st Battalion of the MGC, and was awarded the William Country. Military Cross. On returning to his University, he rook First Class Honours in law and his LLE, and he was later Lecturer in jurisprudence there from 1931 to 1935. He was called to the Bar at the king's Inns, Dublin, in 1921, after having been Victoria Prizeman and Exhibitioner. He soon attained a large practice and by the time he took silk in 1936, he was perhaps the leading practitioner in Northern Ireland. In 1934, he was elected Unionist MP for Queen's University, and in 1939. he was appointed Senior Crown Prosecutor in Belfast. From June 1941 to November 1941 he was Minister of Public Security for Northern Ireland, and he was Attorney General there from 1941 to 1944, when on the death of Mr Justice Brown he was raised in the Bench, where he was an outstanding success. He was made a Privy Councillor of Northern lreland.

In April 1947, Lord Wright terminated his long career as a Judge by resignation of his post as a Lord of Appeal to Ordinary, and rather to the surprise of the profession. Mr ustice MacDermott appointed to fill the vacancy. His subsequent career was again something of a surprise. In February 1951 Sit James Andrews, the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland. died, and the following month it was announced that Lord MacDermont had been appointed to succeed him, so he re-turned to the country where

he had made his name and

fast from 1951 to 1969, and was chairman of the commission on the Isle of Man Constitution in 1958. He was also an hon Bencher of Gray's Inn. He maried in 1956, Louise Palmer, only daughter of the Rev J. C. Johnston, DD, who herself nad had a successful career at Trinity College, Dublin, They

Mr Colin Duncan

Mr Colin Duncan, QC, MC, who died on July 14 at the age of 83, was one of this country's leading defamation lawyers, and had acted as counsel in some notable libel cases over the past iew years.

Born on October 3, 1895, Peter Colin Duncan was educated as Rugby and served during the First World War with the Queen's Royal Regiment, being awarded his MC in 1918. He was at Trinity College, Oxford, and became a barrister in 1928. During the Second World War he held staff appointments as a Lieutenant-Colonel. He was Recorder of Bury St Edmunds from 1949 to 1963, and of Norwich from 1963 to 1968. He hecame Master of the Bench, Inner Temple, in 1960.

Among his many notable libel briefs were those in which he defended unsuccessfully. David Irving, the author of The Destruction of Convop PO17 against a libel action brought by Captain Jack Broome, commander of the convoy's Royal Green Green Grass, in 1977.

Croft-Cooke was discerning collector of books and English watercolours, and as avid a collector of both predictable and unpredictable received substantial daniages for libel in Rolf Hochuth's play, Soldiers,

In 1953 he published (with Anthony Hoolahan) Guide to Dejamation Practice.

There was no more popular member of the Bar than Duncan. He was an exceptionally able lawyer and would have risen to the top of his profes-sion in any field and it was in a sense a misfortune that he was so pre-eminent in the field of defamation that practice in other branches of the law were often denied to him.

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There are inevitably some advocates against whom it is pleasanter experience appear than against others. colin Duncan was an opponent against whom it was always a pleasure to appear. He was always scrupulously fair and set an example to the whole Bar as an advocate who did everything which could be done in his clients, interest without getting involved in those altercations with opponents which sometimes happen and which do nothing to assist either the theat or the court.

Brig Herbert Le Patourel, VC

Brigadier Herbert Wallace Le Parourel, VC. DL. who was awarded the Victoria Cross for brovery in action in Tunisia in 1942, died an September 4 at the age of 63. Le Patourel won his VC for bravery during an attack on German machine and posts in Rebourba, Tunisin, during intense fighting It was assumed he had been killed and the award was made post-humously but it was later disprisoner, in was facer dis-prisoner, in war and he was released from Italy after the capitulation in 1943

He returned to service with the army, where he remained until his retirement in 1952, one of his posts being deputy commander of the Ghanaian Army

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Sir Raymond Streat

Sir Raymond Streat, KEE who died on September 13 at the age of 82, was, from 1940 in 1957, chairman of the Cotton

outstanding figure in the administration of industry, but especially textiles. In more than 40

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r Philip ope-Wallace

ir Philip Hope-Wallace, CBE, died in London on Septem-3, aged 57, was a critic of arts as wise and searching inyone in his time. A speciain theatre and opera-laty opera alone—all his work fuelled by an informed source that his attractively suid personality never con-

e enjoyed good talk, and own (as a friend put it) id have been the original ream of consciousness.". thing, it appeared, would rk off a memory, an allu-1, a comparison, or an aphor-Hope-Wallace was among few people ready at any iment that in Maugham's ase-looped the loop on a itude and came down be-en the lines. His gently wry-had of speech, with its indi-tal emphases and transitions. ld beighten all he said, ough the years he seemed. ning by morning, reading opera; one could hear the cise tones of his voice, the sonal rhythms, the decep-ly casual style in which he ld exepress judgments that o incisive perceptively crous, and often formidably

The best critic", he sug-ted once, "will be the ted once. "will be the tome of the best part of any en audience its Feed, beart soul." And, again: "The atre until he found himself, lecade ago, out of sympathy is many of the new dramas and with themes alien to. fastidious mind. Until then

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ton of his inevitable Thereafter be became one of most percentive critics of era of his day. His gift for nming up-a performance, or singer in a succinct plurase 5 uncouplied, and although pen could be wicked, it was ver cruel. His sympathies re wide, but he was most the war a press officer attached monsive to the world of to the Au Ministry. After the rdi. Puccini and French on war his talent developed in his In his criticisms he exhib-

ited his vest knowledge of language, literature and music, not in a show off sense but to en-lighten his writings with the mot juste. Above all he was consistently readable.

consistently readable.

Als broadcasting tones were as mandarin as his style of writing, and for years he adorned such old regulars as The Critics and Music Maga-The Critics and Music Maga-zine, sole to sum up in a pointed phrase a whole play or recording. The voice was the incarnation of gregarious-ness and spontaneity. As in his personal relationships the feel-ing of bonbomie, which was for years the joy of El Vino's in Fleet Street, was laced with a sardonic manner. Musiciant a sardonic manner, impatient with the modern ways, reminiscing about nor precisely the good old days, but times when character and personality were important than mere-efficiency,

or indeed the lack of it.

Besides writing for The Guardian, he contributed for 15 years to the Gramophone magazine, was on the board of Opera, and wrote for various weeklies, where his recollec-tions of times past were as often as revealing as they were in many circles, nowhere more so than in the opera house, where he was once heard to another Wagner opera: "Here we are again weeping and sleeping."

Stage bistorians will value his newspaper reviews, but his only published books were A Key to Opera, with Frank Howes (1939) and A Picture History of Opera (1958). His work on the theatre, daily reviews apart, must be sought in occasional miscellanies.

Irresistible in conversation that he seemed to score musicting of history may be as ative as the making of it hare an interpretation of Certainly Hope-Wallace in the life of the life of the life of the life. The life of drama critic of The Times he could not settle to the long Haul of a book and its problems: he preferred to take the flowing moment, and he did so with a success that he matched, espetially mards the end, in some. potently discursive newspaper essays, recreating an unfashion-

Born on November 6, 1911. he was educated at Charterhouse and Balizoi, and in 1934 worked in France for the International Broadcasting Company. From 1935-1939 he was a Correspon-dent of The Times, and during

for Time and Tide (1945-59) of succesively, radio, drams and television for The Listener; and during 33 years of theatre and opera for The Guardian (both from 1946-71; thereafter opera sione), He breedcast fre quantly on the arts.

In 1958 he was President of the Critics Circle. He was appointed CBE in 1975.

Sir Robert Cary

Sir Robert Cary, first barones who had been Conservative MP for the Withington division of and was previously member for Eccles throughout the Padis-ment of 1935-45, died on Octo-ber 2. He was 81.

Cary was one of the old school of Conservative backbeachers. In a long parliamentary career, the only Government appointment he ever held was that of a Lord Commissioner of the Treasury (Government Whip) in the short-lived Conservative "caretaker" goveroment of 1945. But he was an nderatigable Parliamentary Private Secretary to successive ministers, with his finger ever on the pulse of the House of Commons in all its moods, an amiable gossip and a friendly personality, well liked by people of all parties. He was vexed by no heady ambition and appeared quite happy in the role of a semior and respected backbencher, ever loyal to the party establishment. and to all the best traditions of the House. He was honoured with a knighthood, and later.

with a baronetcy. ... Robert Archibald Cary was born on May 25, 1898, the son of Robert Cary, and was educated at Artingly and the Royal Military College, Sandburst Like other young men of his generation, his youth was scarred by the First World War Ho red by the First World War. He left the fifth form at school to take a shortened course at Sandhurst, and was serving as a subaltera in the Somme battles before he was 18. He continued to serve in the 4th Dragoon Guards for seven years after the war, and held staff appointments while serving in Iraq and north Persia For a year he was ADC to Major-General Sir George Cory, commanding the British forces in

north Persia, and was later per sonal assistant to Sir Lennox Russell in the Political Department of the Government of India. Before leaving the army, in 1924, Cary was married to the Hon. Rossmond Mary Curzon, daughter of Colonel the Hon. Alfred Nathaniel Curzon, and sister of the second Viscount Scarschie.

ment as Conservative member for Eccies, and became Parliamontary Private Secretary to the Civil Lord of the Admiralty. As a Lancashire member, Carey was keenly concerned about the decline of the cotton industry, and was active in bringing together all the interests concerned in the legislation for the industry's reorganization. When the Second World War began he at once regined his old regiment, and again served in Europe, having been reappointed to the General Staff. He later resumed his parliamen tary duties, and from 1942-44 he was Parliamentary Private Secretary to Leopold Amery, then Secretary of State for India, after which he was appointed to be an unpaid Assistant Whip. In Churchill's 'caretaker'' government, which succeeded the wartime coalition, Cary was given full status as a junior Conservative Whip (a Lord Commissioner of the Tressury), but at the General Election of 1945 he lost his seat at Eccles to a Labour opponent. He received a knightbood in the "resignation" honours.

In the same year, Cary contested, unsuccessfully, a by election at Ashton-under-Lyne. and at the General Election of 1950, he again failed to get back to Parliament when he contested Central Nottingham. When the electoral rides turned in favour of the Conservatives again at the General Election of 1951, he got back to the House of Commons as Conservative member for Withington, and was able to renew his political issociation with Lancashire. He

was then given a baronetry. On his return to Westminster Cary was appointed Parliamentary Private Secretary to Mr Harry Crookshank, Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the House a niche which suited him admit ably, and he continued these duties for four years. At three succeeding general elections he was reelected for his Manches-

It was Sir Kenneth's adminis-trative gifts that allowed the college to undertake this meta-morphosis for such it was metaphorically if not literally, with the utmost of ease.

At the same time he was one of the leading London con-sultants in diseases of the staff at St George's Hospital and the Brompton Hospital. Never, however, did he allow himself to become a narrow specialist, and his reputation stood high as an undergraduate reacher at St. George's Hospital pital.

died on December 7, 1978, at the age of 69, was Registrar to the Royal College of Phy-sicians of London from 1961 to 1975, during one of its

home in Trafalgar Square to its

ultra-modern home in Regent's Park, its activities were expand-ing rapidly in the field of post-graduate education and it was becoming increasingly involved

His standing as a clincician counseller and administrator stood equally high in the Royal Air Force, in which he served as a medical specialist in this country and in India from 1939 to 1946. From 1949 to 1977 he was Civil Consultant in Medicine to the RAF. Such was his reputation that in 1977 he was

In 1959, on behalf of the Colonial Office he made a rour of medical establishments in the Caribbean. Four years later he was Visitor for his own col-lege and the Royal College of Surgeons of England to the Medical Faculty of Khartoum University Subsequently he was lisitor for this college to Aus-

Mr Anatoli Kuznetsov, the

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years' experience he had gained a wide, and in some respects unrivalled, knowledge, not only of cotton but also of engineering and shipping. He served the cotton trade through one of its most important phases in the history of this century, but long before he became specifically linked with its activities he had had the most ample opportunity of mastering its details, through his more than 20 years' association with the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, for some time as its Secretary.

Edward Raymond Streat was born on February 7, 1897, and was educated at Manchester Grammar School. He served with the received in the served with the se with the territorial detachment of the Manchester Regiment as licutenant during the First World War. Before that he had had a brief association with the Manchester Chamber of Com-merce, and in 1919 he returned to it as assistant secretary, the youngest man in its history to hold such a post.

but he continued to visit Oxford annually for many years. He now concentrated upon his his-

Within a very few years the Lancashire cotton trade was severely hit by the industrial depression. Many demands were made upon his knowledge, experience, and initiative, and he had all kinds of duties during the 20 years before he were ing the 20 years before he went to the Cotton Board, including the honorary directorship of the Lancashire Industrial Development Council, an office which he held from 1931 to

When, a few months after the outbreak of war in 1939, the Cotton Board was set up, he became its chairman and was confirmed in the post when the Board was re-established under the Cotton Industry Develop-ment Council Order of 1948 with its independent members and members representing both sides of the industry. The coming of peace had brought many new problems to the cotton trade, but he successfully bestrode them all.

He rarely, if ever, rejected an invitation to operate in industrial administration and deve-Inpment and for years be was vice-president of the Lanca-shire and Mersevside Industrial Development Association, a member of the council of the British Institute of Management and a member of the Advisory Council of the Department of Scientific and Industrial of Scientific and Industrial Research.

From 1946 to 1948 he was president of the Textile Institute, and for three years, from 1948 to 1951, be was chairman of the Manchester Joint Research Council. He also became well known as a member of the General Advisory Council of the BBC, upon which he sat from 1947 to 1952, and he had been president in his earlier days of the Manchester Statistical Society. He also did much for diversion, and especially for education, and especially for scientific and vocational train-ing. He had been president of the Association of Technical Institutions, he was a Visiting Fellow of Nuffield College, Oxford, and for years he was treasurer of Manchester University. For a brief period in 1940, and before becoming chairman of the Cotton Board, he was secretary to the Export Council of the Board of Trade.

From 1960 to 1968 he was chairman of the North Western Electricity Consultative Council. He was also trustee of the John Rylands Library and had been president of the Manchester Luncheon Club. He was made a CBE in 1930, and was also a Commander of Orange_Nassau of the Netherlands. He was knighted in 1942.

He married, in 1921, Doris daughter of Amos Davies, JP, and they had three sons one of whom died of wounds in 1944. His wife died in 1976.

Prof Rudolf Pfeiffer

Professor Rudolf Pfeiffer. who died in Munich on May 6 greatest living authorities both the history of classical scholar-

Born at Augsburg, in Bavaria. on September 28, 1889, he grew up in the house which belonged to the Renaissance humanist Conrad Peutinger and whose walls were adorned by maps made by him. He attended the famous Benedictine school of St Stephan, whose head was then the celebrated Dom Beda sities of Munich and Berlin, At Munich his teacher was Otto Crusius, the pupil and biographer of Erwin Robde. From them he imbibed the influence of the South German school of scholars who studied Greck religion and poetry with marked sensitivity to their aesthetic aspects; in Berlin, this influence was balanced by that of Wilamowitz.

Between 1918 and 1923 Pfeiffer held junior posts in Munich. During this time he began the series of his studies of Renaissance scholarship, and also initiated his work on Callimachus by bringing out an edition of the fragments that had appeared since O. Schneider's edition of 1870 (1921; 2nd edn. 1923) and a small volume of Kallimachosstudien (1922). In 1923 he returned to Berlin as Professor Extraordinarius, but almost at once moved on to a full professorship in Hamburg; in 1927 he moved to Freiburg im Breisgau and in 1929 returned to Baveria to occupy a chair in Munich.

In 1937 Pfeiffer left Cermany; his wife was Jewish, but in any case he could hardly have remained, since he found it impossible to conceal his disgust for National Socialism. In Oxford he was first aided by the Jesuits of Campion Hall, where Oxford he was first aided by the Jesuits of Campion Hall, where Jesuits of Campion Hall, where Fr Martin D'Arcy was then master; later he became a member of Corpus Christi Col.

The socialists of the London Congress and the lease in tragedy—the rising tension in the Tate Callery, the British Stratford Cleopatra (1935) is Fitzwilliam, and Ashmoleum out in 1948. The socialists began is stratford Cleopatra (1935) is Fitzwilliam.

sity lecturer, senior lecturer and then reader. His exile turned out to be fortunate for the great edition of Callinachus on which he was engaged. E. Lobel was then working on important new fragments of that author among the Oxyrhynchus Papyri, and with his assistance and that of P. Maas and E. Fraenkel available and the resources of the Bodleian Library at hand Pfeiffer enjoyed ideal conditions for his work. In 1948 the Clarendon Press brought out the first volume, containing the fragprinted. Five years later appeared the second volume, containing the complete poems and the prolegomena and the

In 1951 Pfeiffer returned to the chair in Munich which he had vacated 14 years before: now concentrated upon his history of Classical Scholarship, written in English and published by the Clarendon Press. In 1957 he retired from his chair, and his seventieth birthday in 1959 occasioned the published. publication of a volume of his selected writings the year after; besides the subjects of Pfeiffer's main interest, these also dealt with Greek epic, lyric and tragedy. The first volume of the great history, going as far as the time of Augustus. as the time of Augustus, appeared in 1968. Pfeiffer had wisely decided to write the third volume, starting with the Renaissance and finishing in the middle of the nineteenth century, before he wrote the second. Pfeiffer deeply felt the loss of his wife in 1969 and suffered from increasing illhealth. But he persevered un-restingly with his work; and a volume covering the period from 1300 to 1850 appeared in 1976.

indexes.

Among the numerous honours conferred on Pfeiffer were the Fellowship of the British Academy (1949) and the Honorary Fellowship of Corpus Christi College, Oxford (1959).

Mr Jayaprakash Narayan



Mr Jayaprakash Narayan, who died on October 8 at the age of 76. was a central figure in varied and sometimes seemingly misdirected career, played, at the last, an important role in building up the country's anata Party and in securing Mr Morarji Desai the premiership after his first election victory. Marxist, Gandblan, terrorist, socialist, he can be said to have shuttled rather than voyaged over the political spectrum, but he was guided by a searching moral consistency At one time the object of idolarry among young Indian nationalists he came later to be denigrated, his loyalty im-pugged, his criticisms of indian artitudes and actions bitterly resented by a new generation of nationalists. He went on his own way, mildly uncompromis-ing, India's man for all sea-sons. He emerged as one of the dominant figures in the opposi-tion to Mrs Gandhi's Congress Party, his frequent criticism of which earned him a period of house arrest in 1975, much of which was spent in hespital. This period of political eclipse he was to outlive, to take on the mantle of elder statesman of Indian democracy after the Janata victory of 1977.

A Bihari and a Kyasth, JP (as he was universally known in India) was fired by Gandhi when he was 18. Responding to Gandhi's call to students to boycott British-aided insuituboycott British-aided institutions, he made his way to the
United States and there
worked his way through college, finally taking a BA at
Ohio State University. He
returned to India in 1929, a
Marxist, but finding the
Communist Party of India
standing aside from the independence movement he ioned pendence movement he joined Congress and struck up a close friendship with lewsharlal Nehru. Both were far to the left of the broad Congress spectrum, and in 1934, after his first jail term, IP formed the Congress Socialist Party, a separate organization in most ways but still within the infi-

nitely elastic Congress. Turning away from Gandhian non-violence as well as from Gandhian emphasis no the village as the unit of future Indian social and economic development, JP broke jail in 1942 and went underground for nearly a year. He made contact with a terrorist organization and crossing the border into Nepal worked for training sabateurs-fo it, training saudence these terrorists still wished to aroid killing. They made little mark, and IP was recaptured and kept in jail, with long periods of solitary confine-ment, for three years.

After independence, with an aura of glamour from his period underground, the political future seemed bright for JP—it was at this time-that Nebru himself described his friend at a future seemed bright for the control of the contr friend as a future prime miris-

1950s IP was reexamining his own political teners, and questioning the socialist path to social justice. He turned instead to the bhooden (land-gift) movement of Visuba Bhave the peripateric Gandhi who sought to solve the Indian land problem by returning the land to the tillers, by voluntary donation. The movement was much acclaimed in India announced that he was quitting "party and power-politics" to devote himself to bhooden and

is associated programmes. The land-gift movement made no appreciable mark on India's village economy, as might have been expected, nor did Gramdan (village-gift), by which JP hoped to create true village communities, working, egalitarian cooperatives, Indian Kibbutzim. The moral sussive approach to reforming the Indian village could make no impression on its granite hier-archies, its impact was little more than rhetorical. But JP was not limiting his carticipa-tion to bhooden; he took up invidious national causes.

He opposed the Indian government's Kashmir and Paki-stan policies, dismissing as cant or a mantra New Delhi's insistence that there was no Kashmir problem, urging Indians to face up to the oppressive realities of the imposed sive realities of the imposed regimes in Kashmir, lending his weight to Shaikh Abdul-lah's cause during the latter's infrequent spells outside gaol. infrequent spells outside gaol. Indian policy, and Indian political opinion, was unshakable on the Kashmir issue, and JP's support to the Kashmiris earned him public opprobrium. In 1964 when there was a grim wave of mass killings of Muslims in India JP toured the massacre areas, helping where he could, and then tried to force the Indian political class force the Indian political class to acknowledge the enormity of what had happened and its poisonous implications for the future of the secular India to which most of them gave at

least lip service. JP's wife, Prabhavati, was a co-worker in all his efforts, and in her own right one of the leading social workers of India.

Earl Beauchamp

Earl Beauchamp died at adresfield Court, Malvern, Earl Beaucasmp sted at Madresfield Court, Malvern, Worcestershire on January 3 at the age of 75. Born on July 3rd, 1903, he was educated at Eton and Magdalen College, Oxford He succeeded his father as the eighth earl in 1938.

In the general election of 1929, as Viscount Elmley, he was elected Liberal MP for East Norfolk, and in 1931 and 1935 he retained the seat as a National Liberal. From 1931 to 1938, he was Parliamentary Private Secretary to the late Lord Hore-Belisha.

Elmley, as he was always accident restricted her later known to his friends, had a rare simplicity of character shewn in his kind and generous in All's Well That Ends Well) interest in all those with whom he was involved. He took a full part in the life of the House of Commons where he was very much at home and had many good friends among the mem-bers of all parties. As Lord Beauchamp he attended the House of Lords faithfully until illness made it impossible.

When he was adopted as Liberai Candidate for East Norfolk he bought the Old Lighthouse at Winterton, spending the weekends there; he came to be widely known and liked in the constituency.

In 1935 he married Mona, the vidow of Direcktor C, P. Dornonville de la Cour of widow of Direction C. P. Dornonville de la Cour of Copenhagen. When Elmley Copenhagen. When Elmley succeeded his father they lived at Madresfield Court, the Beauchamp seat in Worcester-shire. Through the years at Madresfield, the Beauchamps extended their warm and generous hospitality to all their friends and neighbours. Parfriends and neighbours. Particularly during the war the haven of Madresfield will be remembered by those in the Government, armed forces, and the Danish resistance, were welcomed there. who

Lord Beauchamp was a booklover and reader with an unusually retentive memory. The Madresfield Library was his great interest and delight. He was a member of the Rox-burghe Club and quite recently he had a facsimile made of the beautiful medieval Madresfield Book of Hours for his fellow members.

During the war he was commissioned in the RAOC, and served at home and in Italy. He was a County Councillor for Warcestershire from 1940 to 1952. In 1941 he was appointed IP and in 1947 DL. In 1964 he was president of the Turee Counties Show. There is no heir to the earldon.

Miss Catherine Lacey

Miss Catherine Lacey, the ectress, died in London on September 20, aged 75.

A searching and unselfish arrist, whose range extended from Greek tragedy to farce, she never had complete recog-nition. Critics applauded her; her profession admired her; but parts that could have brought immediate popular fame were steadily elusive. To the last she was a connoisseur's actress, slightly built, urgent in emotional power, and with a warm, clear voice that could express any nuance.

unforgotten—but she had also a swift, unexpected feeling for comedy. Ben Travers, who direc-ted her in one of his farces, admired hier skill in this genre yet probably, when historians debate Catherine Lacey's work, they will think of her as Cleopatra or Clytemnestra.

Born in London on May 6. 1904, she first appeared, when she was twenty, on tour with Mrs Patrick Campbell, an experience for any actress, cer-tainly for Catherine Lacey, who was eager to learn and went on learning through life. Early chances were intermittent. She played a season (1929-30) with the Liverpool repertory com-pany; in 1931 she had two London parts in Clifford Bax's The Venetian and repeated them in New York. Gradually her uncommon qualities were acknow ledged; thus in one year (1933) she moved between the luckless girl in Mordaunt Shairp's The Green Bay Tree, a Renaissance Italian in Night's Candles, and Charlotte in the third of the periods' Haworth plays, The Brontës of Haworth Parsonage. The Maitlands (Wyndham's, 1934), in which she acted with John Gielgud, had a disappoint ing run. For Iden Payne she was Cleopatra Portia (The Merchant of Venice), the Countess (All's Well That Ends Well), Mistress Page, and Katharina the Shrew in the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre company of 1935; but Stratford-upon-Avon was still only on the edge of the critics' map, though tidings of the new Cleopatra quickly

After this her record as an intellectual actress was surprising. She appeared in work by Granville-Barker, Humbert Wolfe, Jean-Jacques Bernard, Eugene O'Neill, and (as a baunting Agarha in The Family Remain, 1938) T. S. Eliot. In the first December of the war she was Shaw's Major Barbara (Westminster), and ten months later—at the height of the 1940 blizz—the Helens of Robert Atkins's revival of All's Well Atkins's revival of All's Well That Ends Well, a piece with which she bad a special affinity. Follows Me About—a phrase that Bertram of All's Well might have used of Helens—came to the Garrick Theatre in the autumn of 1943. Thenceforward, from a cluster of retree to the Carrick Theatre in the autumn of 1943. Thenceforward, from a cluster of retree to the Carrick Theatre in the carrier of the Carrick Theatre of the Carrier of t autumn of 1943, Thenceforward, from a cluster of parts, we can name her Gertrude, to Robert Eddison's Humlet, at the Bristol Old Vic Electra (1951); several don (1948); Clytemnestra in the Old Vic Electra (1951); several Arts Theatre performances, including Arkadina in The Seaguli (1953); Hecuba in Tiger at the Cates (London and New York Gates (London and New York, 1955); a superbly chilling Queen Elizabeth in Mary Stuart (Edinburgh and the Old Vic, 1958); and, most conspicuously, the distraught wife of Robert Bolt's The Tiger and the Horse (Queen's, 1960), a woman who becomes obsessed with human suffering in the modern world.

She acted Asse (Peer Gynt) and Tribulation Wholesome (The Alchemist) during the then Old Vic company's last season at the theatre, 1962-3. Though the effects of a stage accident restricted her later work, she did have an ultimate the Countess, during the 1967 season at Stratford: she repeated her Countess in Russia Finland, London, and Paris. Catherine Lacey played, too, in films and television (the Guild of Television Producers and Directors named her Actress of the Year in 1959). She was married three times, first to Geoffrey Howard Clark (this marriage was dissolved), and later to Roy Emerton and Anthony Wright, each of whom pre-deceased her.

Mr Claude Rogers

Claude Rogers, one of the best-known and most respected figurative painters of his gon-eration, died in London on eration, died in London on February 18 at the age of 72. He entered the Slade at the age of 18 in 1025 of 18 in 1925 after attending St Paul's School. As a student he quickly made his mark, and his work in drawing and paint-ing attracted the attention and admiration of Professor Tonks and Mr Wilson Steer. He particularly loved painting land-scapes but he was versatile and did some excellent still life and portraits. At the Slade Claude Rogers was a contemporary of Rodrigo Moyoihan and William Coldstream, who became lifelong friends, as did Victor Pasmore.

in the early 1930s Claude Rogers taught art at Raynes Park School and exhibited his work with the London Group and London Artists Association. It was largely due to his en-thusiasm that the School of Drawing and Painting, later to move to Euston Road, was opened in Fitzroy Street in 1937. in collaboration with Pasmore and Coldstream. Although the school closed in 1939 after the outbreak of war, it gave its name to a tendency of some significance in British art.

Apart from his Slade School teachers, the most important formative influences on the very personal style which he evolved were probably Sickers. the Cameen Town painters, and as with most of his generation Ceranne. He was an outstand ing teacher and his infectious entirusiasm made him much oved by a long succession of students at Camberwell, the Slade and Reading University, where he was Professor of Fine Art from 1963-72

Claude Rogers was a member of the Art Panel of the Arts Council and of the National Council for Diplomas in Art and Design and for a number of years President of the London Museums, as well as many other public and private collections: He was made OBE in 1959; He was married in 1937 to painter, Elsie Few, who sur-

Mr Alan Hodge

Mr Alan Hodge, who wa Joint Editor of History Today from 1951, died on May 25, at the age of 63. Born in October 1915; he was educated at Liver-pool Collegate School and Oriel College, Oxford. At Oxford he had written avantgarde verse and some of his work was collected with that of Robert Graves and Norman Cameron in a volume, Work in Hand, in 1942. Hodge also collaborated with Graves in two perceptive and rather unusual works of social and literary works of social and literary criticism, The Long Weekend (1940) and The Reader Over Your Shoulder (1943). From 1941 to 1945 he was Assistant Private Secretary to the Minister of Information.

From 1946 to 1952 he was editor of The Novel Library, a Hamish Hamilton venture. He also assisted Brendan Bracken to edit a weekly column "Men

to edit a weekly column " Men and Matters" in the Financial Times. In 1951 he became one of the original editors of History Today and had remained one of its joint editors over the past 28 years, a stewardship which he always exercised in a manner at once scholarly imaginative and judicious. He magnative and indicates. At also headed the committee of historians who helped Sir Winston Churchill prepare his History of the English Speaking Peoples. Colleagues and friends often lamented that his natural modern appearant itself with modesty contented itself with collaborative ventures rather collaborative ventures rather than individual writings. The most recent of these was The Past We Share, an illustrated history of the British and American peoples, published jointly with his co-editor of History Today, Peter Quennell, in 1960. He married in 1948 Jane, daughter of Conrad Aiken, the American poet They had two daughters.

Sir Arthur Irvine.

Sir Arthur Irvine, PC, QC, Labour Member of Parliament for the Edge Rill division of Liverpool since 1947, and Solicitor-General from 1967 to 1970, died last December 15. He

was 69.

Arthur James Irvine was a barrister who in his younger days was a strong Liberal in politics, and fought two elections unsuccassfully as a Liberal candidate. He was private secretary to the late Lord Hewart, the Lord Chief Justice of England, from 1935 to 1940.

Born on July 14, 1909, he was the son of the late J. M. Irvine. KC, Sheriff of Renfrew and RCC, Sheriff of Rentrew and Bute, and educated et Angus-field School, Aberdeen, Edinburgh University and Oriel College, Oxford. He graduated in 1931 and was president of the Oxford Union in 1932. He was called to the Bar by the Middle Temple in 1935 and in the seme year became private secretary year became private secretary to the Lord Chief Justice. In the five years that followed Irvine served his chief well and between them. During the Second World War Irvine served at DAAG, HQ Eastern Command, in 1944, and DAMS.

HQ Land Forces in Greece, from 1944 to 1945. He was mentioned in dispatches.

Irvine joined the Labour Party in 1943. His first two amentions as a Labour candidate also men with defeat, but he was also met with defeat but he was successful at a by-election at Edge Hill in 1947. His special interests in the House covered wide range of subjects including legal matters, foreign

affairs, industrial relations and town and country planning and he was an able debater.

A brilliant future had been predicted for Irvine. He had been a close associate of Sir Harold Wilson and his natural gifts enhanced such an expec-tation. But it was not to be. His only taste of high office was to the Solicitor Generalship, which he held for three years in the Wilson Governments of 1964 to 1970. He was knighted in 1967 and made a Privy Counsellor in 1970. But his career did not advance further. Indeed his latter years included a long and acrimonious dispute with his local constituency

He married, in 1937, Eleanor daughter of E. E. T. Morris, of Petersfield, Hampshire, They had four sons.

Sir Evelyn Hone

Sir Evelyn Hone, GCMG, CVO, OBE, who died on Sep-tember 18 at the age of 67, was the last Governor of Northern Rhodesia, now Zambia, and he succeeded Sir Arthur Benson as movenor in 1959. He was an admired admini-

startor and some indication of the high opinion in which he was held is that he was appointed governor when already chief secretary of the colony, an unusual sequence. However, he had been chief secretary of a number of other territories and as such was used holding the

of the chief participants in the noves towards the achievement of Zambian independence. At the dissolution of the ill-fated Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland in 1963, Northern Rhodesia achieved internal selfgovernment under a new constitution. The new state, now ceiled Zambia became an inde-pendent republic within the Commonwealth in October,

There is little doubt that Hone's shrewd knowledge of local matters—he was Rhodesion born—and lifelong experience of colonial affairs played a large part in the successful transfer of power. To his death' he remained highly respected. in Zambia and a number of in-stitutions bear his name such as the Evelyn Hone College of Further Education.

The Hone family roots were deep in Africa, His grandfather, Sir Thomas Scanlen was the shird Prime Minister of the Cape from 1881 to 1884 and Ceril Rhodes served in his minimistry. Later Rhodes invited him to Rhodesia have the foundations of the country's legal system. Evelyn Hone's father, Arthur, worked for the Charter Company and became Chief Magistrate in Salisbury. He married one of the Scanlens. and two of their four boys, Eve-lyn and Cyril, were Rhades

Evelyn Dennison Hone was born on December 13, 1911 and educated at Wellington Collège Rhodes University South Africa and New College.
Oxford Be emerged the
Colonial Administrative Service
in the mid-1930s serving subsequently in Tanganyika, the Seychelles, Palestine, and British Hondures, where he was chief secretary as he was at Aden later on He was appointed Chief Secretary, Northern Rhodesia in 1957.

After Zambia had become a sovereign state he held a numsovereign state he held a number of positions on bodies connected with African affairs. From 1971 he sat on the council of the Royal African Society and in 1969 he was chosen president of the Zambia Society. He was made an honorary L.L.D. of Rhodes University in 1964. versity in 1964.

He married in 1946, Helen Joy Mellor. They had a son and two daughters.

Mr James T. Farrell -

Mr James T. Farrell, the American novelist, essayist, and critic, died in August, 1979, at the age of 75. Farrell is chiefly remembered as the author of the Stude Lonigan trilogy which described in graphic detail the desperate life on the streets of Chicago's South Side. But his other work which included an second trilogy dealing with not see why tree-enterprise and George Edward Gordon Call much the same erhos, showed public enterprise cannot common of the virtues of Study bine and flourish if the rival politicatus would only learn first trilogy, and his short from the past misrakes of room the past misrakes of capitalism and socialism."

Son of the Rev George E. Cannot George Edward Gordon Call was educated at St Paul's School and went on to New Celley politicatus would only learn modern history. His studi achievement are too in deal achievement, are, too, in danger of being neglected

James Thomas Farrell was born in Chicago on February 27, 1904, of Irish extraction. His father was a Chicago teamster-After schooling Farrell en-tered the University of Chicago, working at the same time and paying his own way through his courses. Here he had already begun to write Stude Lonigon and also published some short stories in magazines. He left Chicago University in 1929 and in 1931 eloped to Paris with Dorothy. Butler whom he married, divorced and later remarried as his third wife. In Paris he spent a year. Here he was encouraged by Esta Pound and Samuel Putnam, editor of the New Review. In 1932 he returned to New

In 1932 he returned to New York to live and in that year, too, the first volume of Stude, entitled Young Lonigan; A Boshood in Chicago Streets, appeared. It was followed by The Young Manhood of Stude Lonigan (1934) and Judgement Day (1935). The trilogy, a story of a doomed would-be tough young man of the Chicago Streets who begins life intending to strive against the miasma of the gutter but ends up corrupted by his gang companions and dies before thirty, gained a critical acclaim which was to elude his subsequent works. Its successors lacked the Its successors lacked the power of Studs Lonigan. The Damy O'Neill pentalogy, A World I Never Made (1936) No Star is Lost (1938), Father and Son (1940), My Days of Anger (1943) and The Face of Time was faintly linked with the relieve by its central charthe trilogy by its central character, Danny, who had briefly appeared as a student in Stude Lonigan. The pentalogy traced the development of Danny's intention to win recognition as a writer. Though in this we do not see Danny succeeding, he evades the total defeat at the hands of life which awaited Studs Longan. In the later Bernard Care trilogs, Bernard Clare (1946)—Farrell had to change the name of his protagonist to Carr for the second novel after a libel suit was brought against him by a man named Clare—The Road Between (1949) and Yet. Other Waters (1932) we see the hero succeeding. like Farrell himself, through writing. Though both below the level of Studs Lonigan these cycles set largely in New York are perceptive works and deal in absorbing

Farrell wrote 14 volumes of short stories; among his other; novels. Gas: House McGlaty (1933) was an almost surreal vision of the future of the business world; a further novel. cycle began with The Silence of History (1963) returned to city life in Chicago. Certainly Farrell appeared to be indenser of repeating himself in his latter works but the accum-

detail with the leftist 1930s in

Zambia he won the confidence | so excelled seemed, in some | English. measure at least, to justify the massive scale on which he produced. A Brand New Life (1963) indicated a return to the vitality of Studs. Selected Essays appeared in 1964.

Mr Nicholas Davenport

Mr Nicholas Davenport who died on May 30 at the age of 85, was one of those rare birds, a radical Socialist working in the upper strata of the City of London. The paradox was bred in him by a father who was director of a thriving brewery. but also a lay preacher who did good works and ran a mission for Leicestershire miners.

After Cheltenham and Oxford Nicholas Davenport spent the First World War as a civil servant. He was called to the Bar and became secretary to a new company supplying oil to shipping fleets then being converted from coal to fuel oil burning. The company foundered but Davenport had become an oil pecialist and contributed to the nade his way and his name in inspecial journalism His work for the Manchester

Guardian Reconstruction supplements brought him in touch with Maynard Keynes, who was ediring the series and who became the great influence in Davenport's intellectual life. Davenport's intellectual life.

Davenport's book on the Oil.

Trusts and Anglo-American
Relations brought him to the
attention of leading Stock.

Exchange firms and to the end.
of his life he acted as economic adviser to one of them. His work as financial journalist appeared in the columns of the New Statesman and, later, of the Spectator. Spectator.

Davenport's move into the City Establishment was heralded by his appointment as a Direc-tor and, later, Deputy Chairman of the National Murual Life Assurance Society. The initial invitation came from the chief executive of the Society who told Devenport: "I went some-one on this blasted board who can answer Keynes back. (Keynes was then Chairman.)

Though of the Establishment

Davenport, on his own admis-sion, "I inherited from my soon a gnawing social con-science, a deep-rooted feeling that the workers were not get-ting a fair deal. His main fear was that of confrontation-between workers and rulers and to this he devined a book The Split Society, published in 1964. As a Radical he was an evolurionary Fabian, not a militant Marxist "overturner". As he wrote in his idemoirs of a City Radical, his main purpose was "to show how a dangerously split society could be unified in a mixed economy if the workers were brought into the game of capital growth. I can

Sir Louis Gluckstein:

Sir Louis Gluckstein, GBE. QC. who died on October 27, 1979 at the age of 82, was Unionist MP for Nottingham, East from 1931 to 1945. He devoted much of his life to public service spreading his energles over a wide field and was unstinting in his efforts where a good cause caught his eye. Educated at St Paul's School Educated at St Paul's School, where he was a scholar, and Lincoln College, Oxford, which made him an honorary Fellow in 1968; he served as a lieutenam in the Suffolk Regiment in the First World War in which he was wounded and mentioned in dispatches. He was again mentioned in dispatches in the Second World War which took him to France in 1940 and latter

him to France in 1940 and later to Italy.

He was called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in 1922, was elected a Bencher in 1952 and Tressurer in 1970. He was for many years a Deputy Lieutenant for the County of Loudon, sat on the old LCC for St Marylebone and later on the GLC of which he was chairman in 1968-69. His other interests embraced the Army interests embraced the Army Kinema Corporation, the Services' Kinema Corporation; the Albert Hall; the London Festival Baller, and the St John's Wood Protection Society. He married in 1925 Dorean daughter of Alexander Klean. They had two sons and a daughter.

Mr Sefton Delmer

Mr Sefton Delmer, OBE, who was a notable foreign correspondent for the Daily Express in the period before, during and after the Second World War, died in early August at the age of 75. He was also the author of a number of books on foreign

affairs. Delmer was born on May 24, 1904, the son of Professor F. S. Delmer, a Tasmanian, then lecturing in English at Berlin University. His own Berlin up-bringing led him to speak per-fect German, a fact which was to have a decisive influence on the course of his journalistic career. Delmer was educated at St Pauls School and Lincoln College, Oxford, where he read as such was used nothing the fort when governors were away city life in Chicago. Certainly College, Oxford, where we rend guismed danguage there was a function with particular success danger of repeating himself in He joised the staff of the Daily He marriage. Son of the marriage function with particular success danger of repeating himself in He joised the staff of the Daily He marriage the marriage in British Honduras during a his latter works but the account Express in 1927 in Berlin where Delinda, widow of Lieumenant, precurious situation in 1954. In mulation of detail in which he he was at that time teaching Commander Victor Gates.

officially deputising for father who covered sens the paper in the city, and Beaverbrook arrived and Beaverbrook arrived and a pressed with his knowledge German, offered has a from 1928 to 1933 Delmer a the paper's Berlin correspond and his German stood him and his German stood him excellent stead. He got to kn. Nazi leaders to a far green extent than was considered by proper in those days he pame extent than was considered we proper in those days, but it; abled him to get his paper scoop over the Reichstag f in February 1933 when His personally invited him is inspect the building while out Valiana. reporters were held at bay police.

He was in Paris for 1 Express from 1933 to 1936 for the next two years was Spain covering the Civil of When war came in 1939. was a war correspondent Poland and subsequently France until 1940 until to the Foreign Office on intelligence side, where he came a broadcaster in Gern for the BBC. He played a nificant role in Black. Pro mincant role in black Pinganda—the British counter y paganda effort against Germa —part of his brief being counter the extramely effectively counter the extremely effect German broadcaster T Fritsche For his war Delmer was appointed OBE.

in 1945 he rejoined the he Express and served as its fif Foreign Affairs Reporter un 1959. He was later Editor Adviser to Der Spiegel da 1963 to 1964. 1946.

He published a mumber, noteworthy books on fore affairs, Trail Sinister (1962), Black Boomerang (1962), Deutschen und ich (1962), Martin Communication (1962), Ma mar Germany (1972) and T Counterfeit Spy (1973). He w twice married.

Sir George Catlin

Sir George Carlin, a teach and writer on political phi-sophy and kindred subjects, w had been Professor of Police at Cornell University duri 1924-35, died on February 7, the age of 88. He was the fath of Mrs Shirley William Lebour's Secretary of State 3

In many ways a familiar ty of middle-class intellectual the period between the n world wars, he stood I successfully for Parliament a Labour candidate on occasions for Brennford Chiswick in 1931 and Sunderland in 1935 but afterwards content to empl the resources of a studious as able mind as a commentator the political ideas of the pr and present

Born on July 29, 1896, it son of the Rev George E Carl George Edward Gordon Citi was educated at St Paul's Scho period of three years, 1915; when he served in the liquitailitie department of the Co tral Control Board, and further short period in it army, but he then returned Oxford, where he took honou in the modern history scho and was Chancellor's Engir Essayist in 1920 and won the Gladstone. Prize and the Matthew Arnold Memorial Pri-in the following year.

For the next two years !. was lecturer in medieval at modern history at Sheffis. University and also a tutor philosophy for the Worket. Educational Association. Aft a preliminary year of lecturing at Cornell he was appointed Professor of Politics the in 1924. He held this post full years, during which he at 11 years, during which he all lectured from time to time a number of other America universities, travelled thrope and engaged in a good deal of fournalism, and sper long vacations in this countrilla 1940 he was appointed he orary professor of the University of Kansas City.

Catlin's first book publishe in 1922, was on Hobbes, thinker who always possesse ereat intellectual attraction fi him. In 1926 he brought of The Science and Method Politics, an ambirious an thoughtful work, though unditinguished in style, pleading for broader conception of pol a proster country of the final science. A Study of the Principles of Politics (1929) wi followed, two years later, by comprehensive and impartiwhich he turned to goo account the experience he had gained during the First Worl

Catlin edited volumes, including a sympo-ium on Socialism by a team c younger and more radics spirits in the Labour Party and in 1939, in a serious invefigation, The Anglo-Saxo Tradition, appealed to historian in search of a scheme of Wes ern values on which to bas effective opposition to the rising tide of totalitarianism. He was knighted for his wor

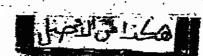
on Anglo-American relations i. 1970. Among his later books were What Does the West Want (1957); The Atlantic Com minity (1959); The Atlanti Commonwealth (1969) and Fo-God's Sake Go (1972), a provoking autobiography, which did not dissemble Catlin's sense of disappointment that his undoubted talents had no brought him a greater influence in the political life of bicountry. He was Bronma. Professor of Political Science, at McGill University, 1956-60 He married, in 1925 Missivera Brittain, the writer. She died in 1970. Besides his distin

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Sir John King expected to be named soon as National Nuclear chairman

Sir John King, chairman of Babcock International, is likely to succeed Lord Aldington,

chairman of the General Electric Company, as chairman of the National Nuclear Corporation (NNC) in its revised form, which is expected to be announced by the Government

The effective merging of the parent NNC with the Nuclear Power Company, its operating arm, and the abandoning by GEC of its management contract is also expected in the reorganization of the corporation.

Sir John King's appointment, if confirmed, is unlikely to be received with unanimous enthusiasm by all parts of the nuclear industry because of the Babcock connexion. An independent chairman, it is being aroused in long quarters. argued in some quarters, would have been a better

Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Energy, is expected to approunce a substantial new nuclear power programme later this week. Some details of the proposed restructuring of the in his statement.

The Department of Energy list night described the report of Sir John King's appointment as "speculation". The timing of the department's announcement on the corporation of the department's appointment on the corporation of the department's appointment on the corporation of the department of the corporation of the corporati tion appears uncertain, but it seems clear that Sir John is a candidate for the job.

As well as his position as Babcock chairman; Sir John is chairman of British Nuclear Associates, the consortium of six industrial interests which together hold 35 per cent of the National Nuclear Corporation. The United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority holds 35 per cent, and GEC holds 30 per

These holdings are expected to be unchanged in the NNC reorganization, at least for



John King : unanimous euthusiasm unlikely.

Lord Aidington, on a visit to the United States, was not available for comment last

night. ago that it wished to give up the NNC management contract, worth £350,000 a year, despite the fact that this gave it effec-tive control over the Nuclear Power Company, the NNC's executive subsidiery. There was a belief, however, that the con-tract prevented any major decisions being taken without the consent of the Government.
It is understood that GEC now considers the reorganiza-tion including the stepping-down of Lord Aldington and withdrawal from the manage-ment contract, to be no more than a change of emphasis. It is felt that, by retaining its 30 per cent stake in NNC, little could be done without GEC's

of the Government's plans for an expanded programme of nuclear power stations originally expected last week, is based on a commitment to an increased

nuclear capacity. The choice of reactor type is still uncertain. The two contenders are the British-developed advanced gascooled reactor (AGR) and the American-designed pressurized water reactor (PWR). The programme which the Government will propose is likely to be based on a mixture of both types-provided safety requirements can be satisfied. The accident at Three Mile Island in Pennsylvania last March involved a PWR system.

The arguments over the choice of reactor for Britain's next nuclear programme—and indeed the arguments over the future shape of the nuclear industry—have continued over many years. In 1973 the Central Electricity Generating Board (and GEC) were strongly in favour of the PWR.

In 1974 Mr Eric Varley, then Secretary of State for Energy, rejected the United States design in favour of the British steam generating heavy water reactor (SGHWR), In 1976 Mr Wedgwood Benn, who had succeeded Mr Variey, cancelled the SGHWR.

In 1978 Mr Bean announced that two AGRs would be built and design and safety work would continue on PWRs. The a commitment to a strong nuclear programme, but has not yet sketched in the detail.

According to Department of new nuclear power stations will be needed by the year 2000 to meet Britain's energy require-ments. This would mean a doubling of the nuclear power available between 1977 and 1985 and a further fourfold increase between 1985 and

Steel bonus | EEC acts on claim of marine chain dumping

Marine anchor chainmakers

have had their protests about unfairly priced imports takes up by the EEC Commission in first national official stoppage since the appears strike of 1926; Peter Hill writes: In spite of the union leaders, attitude, Brussels: After a preliminary survey, which showed prices were far below manufacturing costs, the Commission has opened an anti-dumping investhe Commission has attempts will be made by the corporation today to secure rank-and-file support for its tigation of marine anchor chains from Sweden and Spain. The complaint against marine

pay offer to event the threat-ened strike. chain imported at prices esti-mated at between 20 and 50 The curporation's hope of avoiding the strike is based on convincing steelworkers of the per cent cheaper than domestic equivalents was lodged in Brusseis by French manufac turers last August. In 1970 additional cash which would be available from a lump sum bonus scheme. there were seven French manufalturers of this type of Details of the scheme are in an information sheet which will be distributed to the work force out of business in September. A similar situation now, exists this morning.

Senior executives believe that
most ISTC members have not in Holland and Beigium.

In Britain, anchor chain-rakers, led by Mr David Tummington, chairman of the Chain Manufacturers Associahad sufficient opportunity to had sufficient opportunity to consider the proposals for the bonus payments. Members of the board who do not consider the strike to be inevitable are auxious to have more discussions with union leaders before the meeting of the executive on Wednesday. tion, have been concerned about the impact made by cheaply priced imports for some time. But it was not until British firms linked with their counterparts in France that their case was fully heard. Wednesday. The pay offer bulletin being distributed today outlines the facts behind the decision to cut Mr Timmington said he had

2,000 steel-making jobs by nex

August and to cut the corpora-tion's steel capacity by 6.6 million tonnes to 15 million

It also spells out the extent

and proposed operation of local productivity deals which could

produce increases of up to 10

per cent for improved produc-tivity on top of the 2 per cent

a week to a steelworker on a basic wage of 580 while a man on a basic £120 would get an additional £2.45. Shift, and over-

time payments would also be

But in an interview published in the bulletin Mr Peter. Broxham, the corporation's director of industrial relations,

emphasized that the key feature

of the corporation's offer was

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tounes.

mission had acted during the four months since the four months since the first protests had been lodged. The initial scrutiny, published in the EEC's official journal, number C303, had showed a considerable difference in price between manufacturing costs in Sweden and Spain and the price at which the products were sold abroad.

One of the reasons thought to have contributed to the price difference is the basic price paid for steel. In the case of Swedish anchor chain this around £120 a tonne and for Spanish imports around £200 per tonne. Other factors are the extent of reclaimable export levy and general government of the control of the c

ernment subsidies.
Until about 1976 the expand Until about 1976 the expanding market provided by North Sea oil exploration had shielded British producers from the full effects. However, within the past 10 years the number of United Kingdom producers making this type of chain has shrunk from 12 to four

British, French and other EEC manufacturers are press ing for an import tariff of at least 30 per cent on supplies from Spain and Sweden

back down on discount stores ban

With the Office of Fair Trading (OFT) poised to act against manufacturers which refuse to supply goods to dis-count outlets, there are signs that the manufacturers may be backing down. Both Tesco, one of the three leading multiples. and Argos, the catalogue show room chain which is part of BAT, have been approached with offers of supplies.

This follows complaints from Tesco and Argos to Mr Gordon Borrie, Director General of Fair Trading, about companies refusing to supply gonds. Tesco's complaint

Tesco's complaint was against a British manufacturer which refused to supply colour televisions and audio equipment, and Argos sent Mr Borrie a list of more than 30 manufacturers and other suppliers which it claimed had manuacturers and other sup-pliers which it claimed had refused to supply goods. Both Tesco and Argos believe the refusals have been because of their price-cutting policies.

named by Argos has now offered the company its full range and Argos is deciding which of the goods to include in its catalogue.

Tesco has had five offers of supplies in the television and consumer electronics field. One is from a multinational, another from the European com-pany and the rest from Japancompanies.

Tesco it optimistic that ressonable terms can be nego-tiated to provide a range of goods. It already sells goods from six manufacturers in this sector, including two Japanese,

Mr Borrie now has a grow-ing file on manufacturers and minimum pricing structures by their boycott of the dis-counters. Other multiples have had problems with suppliers.

The main sectors com-plained of are watches, consumer electronic products, cos-metics, bicycles, some bedding, power tools, sports goods and china and glassware. The Consumers Association is send-ing to Mr Borrie its own dotographic equipment and some consumer durables in the white goods " sector.

Argos is still negotiating with a bedding manufacturer of its goods.

It is open to the OFT to take action under the Resale Prices Acts against manufac turers trying to enforce resale prices on retailers by refusing supply of goods. Earlier this year the OFT

took Hotpoint, a subsidiary of General Electric Company, to the High Court to secure Hot point's agreement to supply the Comet discount chain on terms similar to those offered other customers.

After the OFT asked for an explanation of its pricing poli-cies, Philips Industries gave an assurance that it would not withhold supplies from cutprice retailers.

But there have been difficulties for Mr Borrie in taking action under the resale prices egislation and the OFT's file on refusals to supply is likely to be used when the Director General gets wider powers early next year.

When the Competition Bill becomes law, probably in January, Mr Borrie could act on the basis that supply refusals were an anti-competitive prac-

Wholesalers | Libyan oil price increase throws Opec conference into confusion From Nicholas Hirst

Libya has set a new record efficial oil price of \$30 a barrel, throwing the price-fixing meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, which begins in Caracas tomorrow, into con-The chances of Opec now

achieving its desired aim of bringing order back into world oil markets with a single price structure must now be much Libya's oil minister, Mr Ezzedin Mabrouk, announced

on the eve of the Venevuelan conference that the move to 1. was in response to a decision by a Saudi Arabian-led group within Opec last week to raise prices by S6 a barrel.

Mr Mabouk criticized the move as an attempt to dictate Opec decisions.

Although it is too early say that the attempt of the moderates, led by Saudi Arabia, to form a new base for Opec prices, has failed, the makings of another two-tier structure are all too evident. Three moderate countries-

Saudi Arabia the United Arab Emirates and Qater—last week raised their prices by \$6 a barrel backduted to November 1, in a preemptive move to bring agreement on a single price structure at the Caracas raised its price but did not

barrel, breaking through the official limit of \$23.50 fixed as the top of the two-tier structure agreed by the Opec countries

Libya, Nigeria and Algeria had broken through the Opec limit fixed in Geneva with an increase to \$26.27 a barrel. Libya has now increased this price to \$30, giving 50 cents of the rise to an Opec fund for third world development.

earlier in the year in Geneva.

Little of Libya's production of two million barrels a day comes Conoco are important buyers of its oil delivery to Europe and the United States. The importance of the rise

Britain is that the North African crudes are similar to those in the North Sea. When the three countries increased their prices to \$26.27, the British National Cil Corporation followed suit. creating a storm of protest within the EEC.

If Libys alone goes to \$30, the effects on petrol prices will not bevery marked. An average increase of 33 per cent, equal to the rise by Saudi Arabia, would put about 10p on a gallon of petrol in Britain. The danger in the Libyan rise

is that the Libvan oil minister has ignored the attempts of the moderates to hold prices down. But the coming recession could make for plentiful supplies of oil next year, and those charging high prices, whether on contract or on the spot market, where Iran has The most important change been getting prices of up to was Saudi Arabia's lifting of its 540 a barrel for its crude sales,

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However to achieve a unified price structure based on the Saudi benchmark, it is clear that Saudi Arabi will have to increase its price above the 524 to nearer \$28 a barrel.

ture will continue with the uncertainty that may bring other countries may continue to sell to the highest bidder—the development which most worries the Mr David Howell, Britain's Secretary of State for Energy.

Iran, too, seems prepared to push prices higher. Mr Ali Akbar Moinfar, the Iranian oil minister, today indicated that he would at least raise the Iranian official selling price by \$4.50 to \$28 a barrel and backdate to November 1. But the exact increase would not be imposed until the decision of the Opec ministers in Caracas.

Mr Moinfer wanted oil to be priced in line with the cost of the development of alternative enery sources, a figure he put at between \$35 and \$55 a barrel, but was prepared to accept a majority decision because of the importance of maintaining unity within Opec.

Much now depends on Shaikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the Saudi Arabian oil minister, due to arrive in Caracas tonight Yamani may tempted to try to force the moderates to keep to a structure with the benchmark at \$24 the basis that countries charging higher prices would be forced back into line by the

UK companies report sharp fall in orders

By Patricia Tisdall,

Management Correspondent A sharp drop in manufacturing output and order trends has occurred during the past month. according to a survey published by the Confederation of British ndustry roday.

Figures show that there has been a steep decline in both domestic and export orders in the mouth to last Wednesday. The volume of output has also fallen significantly.

Some distortion has occurred

in a month-on-month comparison because of a catching-up pro-cess after the engineering dis-pute, combined with the rise in rax rebates.

However. the underlying trend is that overall demand has weakened compared with with levels earlier in the year. The largest companies, those

goods, have been hit the hardest. The survey, made monthly by
Another dismal indicator, the CBI and taking in the
apart from order and output views of 1,949 manufacturers. apart from order and output levels, is that stocks of finished goods are far higher than they

were a year ago.

One bright spot is an apparent stabilization of the rate at which prices are expected to increase. Compared with mid-November. there has been no change in the number of manufacturers expecting average prices to go up within the next four months The figures show that 67 per cent of manufacturers expect rises in the average prices at which domestic orders are booked during that period, while 29 per cent expect to charge the same as at present.
Even a limited pause in
manufacturers' price increases
is likely to be temporary. Costs

higher oil prices and increases in rail fares, postal charges and rates are in the pipeline. The full impact of borrowing costs also has still to work its way through. Retail price index figures re-

leased on Friday showing infla-tion levels still rising will bring little cheer. Sir Geoffrey Howe, Chancellor of the Exchequer, has said there is little likelibood of a drop until the middle of next year.
There seems limit doubt that

inflation will have rouched and possibly exceeded 20 per cent

domestic sales prospects. November has proved to strictly temporary.

Export order books were stated by 44 per cent of manufacturers to be "below normal" employing more than 5,000 during the month to mid-De-people, and those engaged in the production of intermediate cent in November and 37 per cent in November last year.

> is an abbreviated report pending publication of a full quarterly trends study next Indications are that the down-

> ward slide in industrial prospects. including profitability, shown in October has been acceptuated in the last two months. Twenty-five per cent of

manufacturers said they expected the volume of output to decline during the next four-months. The figure was 9 per cent a year ago.
Only 22 per cent forecast an increase, compared with 31 per cent at the same time last

One of the most worrying trends has been the continuing increase in unit labour costs in Britain relative to those of its main overseas competitors.

The November survey showed a sharp decline in competitive oess compared with a few

months earlier and this is ex-pected to have intensified in the past few weeks.

New building controls to be opposed

By John Huxley

Building materials producers will oppose government sugges-tions that the National House-Building Council (NHBC) be given responsibility for operating and monitoring controls for

Last week the Government published a consultative paper suggesting changes in the sys-tem of building controls. Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, is anxious that local authorities by that time.

The CBI study shows a burden of administering these

Mr Richard Hermon, director general of the National Council of Building Material Producers. this weekend welcomed the paper. He said it indicated an end to the uncertainty rounding a subject of vital im-

portance to the industry. However, he added that the material producers did not believe that parts of building control should be organized separately, as suggested by Mr Heseltine, "We view with extreme con-

cern the proposal that the NHBC might be invited to assume responsibility for the control and inspection of private housebuilding."
The NHBC claims to act as

the consumer watchdog for the private housebuilding industry. At present, its main roic is to provide a form of guarantee Building materials producers raise no objections to the role of the NHBC but instead of limiting its powers to the pri-

vate sector would prefer to see the unification of controls for England, Wales, Scotland and the Greater London Council Although Mr Heseltine has yet to be persuaded of its value, a national agency to coprdinate a new system might yet be established.

Mr Heseltine has said that the Government is not committed to a particular policy on controls and that the present proposals have been published to encourage discussion within

Industrial nations likely to agree on one thing: outlook for 1980 is bleak

Scaling new heights of economic summitry

International economic "summiry" is not a magical process. The leaders of the largest industrial nations, who meet each year to debate money, trade, aid and energy, unfortunately lack the conjuring skills needed to resolve present-day problems. At the moment there appears to be consolidation which has been offered nationally. The 2 per cent consolidation offer rejected by the ISTC negotiators, would, according to the corporation, add £1.20 dearth of ideas on cooperative initiatives to brighten the economic outlook.

Later this week government representa-tives from the largest industrial nations (the United States, West Germany, France, Italy, Japan, Canada and Britain) will meet In Washington to talk informally about economic summitry. The British represen-tance at the meeting, will be Six Robert Agreeting. Secretary to the Cabiner Armstrong, Secretary to the Cabinet, Much of the discussion will concern global economic developments since last symmer's summit in Tokyn. Some time of course will be devoted to the next summit, tentatively scheduled for late June

in Vellice. This week's meeting is unlikely to be a particularly jolly affair. Bluntly, the 1980 world economic outlook is miserable. Rapidly rising oil prices seem assured and, as Opec flexes its muscles, so the pros-pect for inflation, recession and international monetary stability will become all

The optimists, such as Mr Arthony Solomon, Under Secretary for monetary effairs to the United States Treasury. predict 1 to 2 per cent average real eco-nomic growth for the industrial manage next year, and 9 per cent inflation. This is the optimistic forecast.

oil-importing countries from estimated 1979 deficits of more than \$60,000m. Some officials suggest that the Tokyo meeting was a success and that more can be done to build upon its results. At that meeting government leaders, most nombly President Carter, agreed upon oil import limits, and that initiative led to

Salance of payments prospects are also

erim. Mr Solomon sees a significant

deterioration in the payments belances of



Robert Armstrong, representative at Washington talks.

agreements on still tougher limits at last neek's International Energy Agency Con-

Britain's

*L*erence in Paris. In the next lew mouths some officials believe that still further progress can be made by the industrial powers cooperating to reduce oil imports from Oper. This is viewed as the chief priority for 1980.

No striking initiatives are planned in international money matters by the indus-

trial nations, although President Valery Giscard d'Estaing has everyone guessing by saying in a recent speech that he was thinking about promoting some new ideas. He gave no clue to what these might be. Negotiating progress is being made within the International Monetary Fund on a substitution account, but the pace is slow. The industrial governments believe the fund is well-endowed with lendable resources, so there are no informal talks being held to strengthen it. There are no initiatives planned on trade enther—it seems as if everyone is thoroughly exhausted after completing the bilateral trade negotiations this year under the auxoices of the General Agree-

There seems to be agreement, how ever, to seek new ways, involving modes expense, to increase development aid flows, perhaps concentrating more on assistance to energy-producing products in developing countries. But the leading industrial countries seem

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content to continue riong the "chergy, money, trade and sid " courses that now are so well charted, and to refrain from any dramatic new initiatives. Some officials suggest that the main achievement of recent summits has been to produce broad agreement in policies of fiscal and monetary restraint, combined

with long-term policies to strengthen the supply side of the economy and boos

But as 1980 dawns, the outlook may appear worse when one reflects upon the prospects of these macro-economic courses being followed. Will the Canadians be the first to go for an inflationary economic Rimulus as a new election approaches How conservative will the economic policies be of the French, German and American governments as they towards election dates next year?

Frank Vogi

the building industry.

Extracts from the Report and Accounts to 31 July, 1979

MANGANESE BRONZE HOLDINGS

1979 1978 £'000 £'000 Issued Share capital and Reserves 14,826 11,886 Group turnover 33,980 32,701 Profit after taxation 1.612 2,341 Earnings per Ordinary Share 15.14p 23.04p

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* The recovery anticipated during the second six months of the year was duly

current year due to the effects of the nationwide strike of engineering workers.

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realised. * The group has made a poor start to the

MANAGEMENT

This week two chartered accountants, Michael Phillips of Price Waterhouse and Richard Findlater of Arthur Young McClelland Moores, respond to criticisms that training for their professional qualification leaves young accountants ill-fitted for a career in general management. Adrienne Gleeson sums up the debate.

A strong argument for unified training

Debate on this page over the past three weeks on the question of whether accountancy in general, and training for a Chartered Accountant's qualifi-cation in particular, provide a good background for general management, has produced a certain amount of sound, but little fury. Essentially, there has been

two parts to the criticism: first, that accountants are ignorant of some of the disciplines of management; and secondly, that the very strength of training in their own particular discipline means that accountants are frequently unable to see the wood for the trees.

On the first—as Mr Michael Phillips suggests in the accompanying article on this page -big firms to expand the CA's training beyond that strictly required for obtaining a qual-

The second criticism is more scrious and it hinges on the fuct that the financial realities are not necessarily anything more than the symptom of an underlying malaise which it might be quite impossible to define in financial terms. Now, accountants within the profession itself recognize that there could be problems in general management outside their comoctence—witness their unease at the idea of being faced with managing a large force of low-skilled labour; but this criti-cism, though ill-defined, is really directed more to the fact that accountants often do not recognize the nature of the problem than that they do recognize it and acknowledge that it is beyond their ability

Although this series has con-centrated upon the difficulties that arise when chartered accountants make the transition from the profession to in-dustry or commerce, it has to be said that bodies represent ing those accountants who have their training in industry or commerce the Institute of Cost and Management Accountants and the Institute of Certants and the institute of Cel-tered protests, to the effect that their members understand very wall indeed the problems that their brethren from the

profession do not.
Maybe so; but then the
argument, at any rate at the
upper echelons of financial general management, is that however well they understand the detailed workings of their own companies, accountants trained within industry the strategic skills required of

higher management.
There is, obviously, a strong ergument for some form of unified training, to bring together both the nuts and bolts of day-to-day experience in financial management, and the breadth of exposure which a training in auditing confers.
But such a programme will be
very difficult to schieve, unless
the old idea of unifying the profession can be revived.

Last time that idea was broached, it was thrown out by the members of the English the members of the English Institute. Because the future of their profession lies in the future of the people that they are training now it is time for

them to think again.

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Firm foundation for a career in many spheres

weeks have questioned the puts a premium on developing appropriateness of the training the skills of communication, of chartered accountants for a subsequent career in industry. The fact remains that such and public speaking. training continues to play an So important role in developing ing

important role in developing financial and general managers. I have no doubt that the main reason for this is its breath and flexibility.

The major strength of this training is the wide variety of businesses, with differing management and control structures that are examined management. tures, that are examined, analysed and understood in the course of auditing them-quite apact from special investigation work. An effective audit requires a good understanding of a company's business, its likely future and the significance of the decisions its man-

agers are making.

Resides the insight which
this experience provides into the management problems of a wide range of companies. young accountants responsible for audits and special investigations will be managing a ream, with all that this implies. The range of businesses encountered involves the constant need to adapt to the environment of a new client and to form a good working relationship with the manage-

Articles by Adrience Gleeson of changing assignment teams and Michael Julien in recent and dealing with new clients

So far I have been describ-ing the practical training received by a young accountant during a training contract and two to three years after qualifying. This is supported by study for examinations and, in many firms, by extensive formal training programmes.

As well as accounting, tax, auditing and law, the accountancy examinations already include economics, statistics and mathematical approaches to decision making, and the syl-labus is being reviewed by the institute for its continuing rel-

The auditing firms' own training programmes also range much wider than the traditional accounting subjects and are likely to include man management, business games, computers, drafting skills and other subjects which should be part of the equipment of any professional manager, financial or otherwise.
Of course, this training is

not intended to produce in-stant managers for industry. relationship with the management and staff there. This tion for n career in many a long-term career in industry.
combination of the supervision spheres. This is why the pro-



Mr Michael Phillips, the partner responsible for training at Price Waterhouse and Co, an international accounting firm.

fession is to successful in attracting good graduates. Chartered accountants transferring into industry may have problems because in public practice they will have been managing only people like themselves and will have to adjust to managing different manpower structures, created to serve different needs. They must also adjust to the needs of the management team in in-dustry. But accountants who transfer accept the need to adapt and to learn and would argue that their training makes them better able to do so. Looking at the wider ques-tion of training financial managers for industry. I believe that the professional training that I have described could not be bettered as a broad base for

dence because I know how much effort my own firm and many others are putting into developing and broadening their already extensive training

But as Michael Julien said, industry needs to consider how it, too, can develop pro-grammes to help chartered accountants to make the switch into industry and to start con-tributing more quickly in their

Training is public practice is not static. It is being developed quickly in ways which should make chartered accountants more useful than ever in industry. Perhaps both sides need to consider what they can do together in the cause of developing better managers. developing better managers.

Michael Phillips

Intellectual and personal challenges

ification in itself has been guaranteed "success and happiness", but I believe that present training has as much validity as a grounding in business finance as that given in

Today's employee of a major accounting firm is a very dif-ferent animal from that of 10 or 20 years ago. Almost cer-tainly he (or she) is a grad-uate; certainly he comes under more pressure earlier. He or she may in consequence now be a more attractive proposition to manage-ment recruiters.

Traning in large accounting firms may, in the early years at least, be primarily directed towards auditing. But auditing is not a narrow science involving the mechani-cal application of a set series of

tures of an audit include a given more responsibility than detailed review of the opera- his predecessors; training intions of the husiness, not only volves not only technical sub-

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Company secretaries: amendment to Companies Bill pro-poses that all secretaries to public companies should have professional qualifications. Company accounts : new regulations raising monetary thres-holds for disclosure of information in company accounts come into force on December 31. Companies (Accounts) Regulations 1979, SI no 1618.

the manner in which the entity operates and its peculiarities. This review gives the auditor an excellent understanding of the outity's business and its industrial context.

A series of decisions on how the audit is to be approached will need to be taken. As in any business, major strategic decisions concerning the audit are taken from the top but there are many operating decisionsfor example, on the number of accounts receivable that are to be verified—for which quite junior (say, the second-year student) staff have responsibil-

Auditing requires not only good accounting and business knowledge, but also the resilience to stand up for what one helieves and the ability to communicate well. Today's stu-For example, the main fea- much greater pressures and is

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Accounting standards do not restrict the need for judgment by auditors or accountants, but they do provide a measure of consistency and broad guidelines within which to operate.

Accountancy probably does not give direct experience of several management sciences"; but I question whether, during a period of only three years' any other dis-ciplines or training would pro-vide the following: a demanding academic sylla-

bus comprising, inter alia, elements of economics, accounting, financial decision making, business leglislation and systems analysis; arailel practical experience. bringing trainees into close contact with a wide range of different businesses and direct

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chartered accountant's training is chiefly designed to develop people for the profession, it is a remarkable combination of intellectual and personal chartered lenges. I would not pretend that the training given by our profession meets every require-ment that a management • rapidly increasing responsibility, requiring trainers to attain the management of the training are a formidable combination.

US lobbyists make their voice heard

Mr William Lilley III works for American Express, but he does not travel very much. He mainly journeys about half a mile a day between his office in Washinzton and "The Hill"

—Capitol Hill, where the seat of American Government to the effect would be a serious the effect would be a serious and blacks, all of whom have the greatest problems in finding suitable employment. The new Act eventually prohibited any regulations to close of American Government to the effect would be a serious and blacks, all of whom have the greatest problems in finding suitable employment. stands.

Mr Lilley is a full-time professional lobbyist. full-"Government in the United States", he says, "makes decistates in e says, makes decisions according to data received from those people who would be affected by their decisions. Lobbying is wide open and a highly respected activity."

He is one of three lobbists in the Amer office, which is one of 5,000 registered lobby offices in Washington. He specialises in anything thing related to economics or tax and insurance. Mr Harry Freeman, his colleague, looks into legislation that might affect business on an inter-national scale, such as nontariff trade parriers and elec-tronic data transmission regulations. Mr Lou Taffer is the expert on consumer law,

The total cost of running the unit is about \$500,000 a year.
"The biggest single item of expenditure", Mr Lilley says, " is the purchase of publications. Information is everything in this line of "mainer." this line of business."
The office receives scores of

papers and magazines every day -on travel, tax, communicaing, oil, energy, computers and a long list of other topics. American Express has no doubt that the office is well worth its running costs and quotes a recent example of its lobbying success. In its desperate search for a means of reducing energy consumption the United States Administration decided to introduce a Bill that

weekends, in the fund belief that, as this would mainly cut down pleasure driving, the econome as a whole would benefit. Error

Loboving by Amex and other interested parties showed the error of this thinking. American Express hired the services of economist Mr Mike Glassman. who carried out a cost-benefit who carried out a cost-benefit study. He worked with an Act of 1916 in mind, which says that government economy measures must not be prejudicial to any single area of business and that they must be cost-effective. The study easily reoved that the horel and carering sectors rould hear a dispreparationate part of the sacrifices to be made in energy saving. It stressed that

perrol stations at weekends.
The lobbs was jointly funded by American Express and the Waiters and Hotel-workers Union and took about four months to produce the desired results. Its success was particularly important is view of the corporation's efforts to organize the whole of the service industry into a powerful policical influence. "There are 100 million work-

ers in the service industries in the United States," Mr Lilley points out,

Credit growth

One development for which American Express is now pressing might sound some echoes in the United Kingdom. America is fighting a tough bartle against inflation. Rigid credit restric-tions have been placed upon the banks and there are high interest rares.

est rates.

Action le pointing out to government that the fastest area of credit growth in the United States—it is growing three times faster than any other area—is the credit card. In September this year, Mr John Heimann, Controlly of the United States Corrency, sent a letter to banks asking for some restraint on the way the credit card is being nucled. Is such a lobby of cestrains in the interests of American Express? "Yes, on condition that the Government is fully briefed on the distinction between the credit card issued by banks and the charge card issued by American Express and one or reo other organiza-tions." Mr Lilley says.
"We do not push credit, but

simply buying convenience, wherese the banks' card; induce clients to buy on c edit. Even electric bills are being paid on credit in some states. encouraging additional use of

American Express has published a brochure, Only the size is the same, in an effort to educate America in the differwith the exercise of age old and carried in the district is R. A. Service cards and cards. This brochure is to be made available as format suited to the image exampled from the other side of the Several and some of them are still oper the other side of the Several and more diversified industries and some of them are still oper the other side of the Several and more diversified industries and some of them are still oper the other side of the Several and more diversified industries and some of the several and more diversified industries shopes in this way to that its cards will not the event of legislation when the Coat Clouderford, when labour was the security accommodation in some of the search at Dursley, Recently accommodation in some of the search at Dursley accom ence between charge cards and credit cards. This brochure is likely to be made available snor in a format spited to the European markets. American Express hopes in this way to ensure that its cards will not suffer in the event of legisla-tion being introduced against cards in general.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Decline in Britain's industrial ranking

Sir, Margaret Allen's review of me new issue of me rimes 1000 (December 6) is accompanied by a table headed Europe's top 20 industrial groups. It contains well known continental names like Renairlt, Siemens, Philips, Fiat. Renault, Stemens, Philips, Pater and Volkswagen. But where are ICI, GEC, BL, GKN? No doubt, all those to whom it has been revealed that Britain's problems are the direct consequence of EEC membership will feel strengthened in their belief.

Yet almost more worrying than the decline that has taken place is the unwillingness of many of our politicians of all colours and others, who certainly ought to know better, to face up to reality. To state the facts involves one in the risk of being accused of "talking the country down". If reality

the country down. If reality contradicts my assumptions too had for reality, seems to be a doctrine claiming many adherents these days.

May I crave a little more space for a simple table illustrating in a very general way the importance of leading "industrial" companies in the United Kingdom and other Community countries. It is based on date of the world's 50 largest companies, published in the August issue of Fortune magazine. "Industrial" companies are those one might becames 8.

productive potential. They include basic heavy mechanical, electrical, chemical, etc. industries, but exclude consumet goods, foods, manufacture and oil

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It is indeed a depressing No-ture, as far as the United Kingdom is concerned. Is it all the result of the United Kingthe result of the United King-dom having become an BEC member as from January 1, 1973? And is Mr Gratian Hut-ton wrong when in this year's Wincott lecture he spoke of the United Kingdom's performance in growth, productivity and profitability having been catastrophic since the early

STEPHAN SCHATTMAN,

Role of accountants in management sional accountants are now being undertaken by accounting technicians. The professional accountant is predominantly concerned with the practice of management, financial management, interpretation and eviluation of financial and accounting information, the provision of advice on the optimization of resources (not just money) and the implications for the future of present capital investment decisions.

From Mrs J. E. Bell Sir, I have followed the discussion on the role of accountants in management with, at first, keen interest but later, as the correspondence developed, with disillusionment culminating in total bafflement. Where have your contributors been living all this since and, in-particular, which traumatic experience so affected Mr J. F. Elis (December 13) as to persuade him that "accountants by their training are only historiaus" and that "accountants would never be able to tell me where the greatest rewards lay for the least affort"? Granted, every profession has its laissez faire members and we must be charitable and conclude that Mr this is no justification for such wholesale indicament in the national press.

Old myths like old habits, die Sir, I have followed the discus-

wholesale indictment in the national press.
Old myths, like old habits, die hard and perhaps your contributors are not aware of the directions in which the accounting profession has developed in recent years. The educational and training policies of all the senior accountancy bodies have been subjected to searching self-scrutiny and now been little resemblance to the patterns of ten to twenty years ago.

ten to twenty years ago.

The supportive functions J. E. BELL.
which some of your contributions bave assigned to profest London SE19.

Sir, The Chancellor refers con-stantly to the strict monetary policy that the pessent Govern-ment is pursuing. During its period in office the rate of growth of sterling M3 and acceptances has been 19.2 per cent. We can only be thankful that the Chancellor is not contempisting a lax monetary

policy.

For the truth of the matter is that this Government has misunderstood the nature of the problem of implementing Courol of the money supply.
Controlling the money supply and the rate of inflation are medium-term policies which meaninterm policies which reall for medium-term policy tools such as the monetary base, the lifting of exchange controls and the freeing of interest rates. This Government has become attempted to imhas, however, attempted to im-plement medium-term policies using tools previously used for extremely short-run demand policies—notably interest rates

and the corset.

The former is uncertain in effect and tends to accentuate No 5, gilt market crises; the latter 91 St Martins Lane, has always been evaded with London, WC2.

Tools of monetary policy.

From Miss Elizabeth Bendle
Sir, The Chancellor refers constantly to the strict monetary pared to resist the burden of mplementing his policide with specific pared to resist the burden of mplementing his policide with specific pared to resist the burden of mplementing his policide with specific pared to resist the burden of mplementing his policide with specific pared to resist the burden of mplementing his policide with specific pared to resist the burden of mplementing his policide with specific pared to resist the burden of the pared to resist the p equanimity, on such feeble

contribution to the managerial function should inform themselves on these points before indulging in forther sufctures? As far as my own institute, the Chartered institute of Rublic

Finance and Accountsucy, is concerned, I am sure mey would be most happy to adsist

any of your contributors to a better understanding of the role of our members in the

organisations.

Yours faithfully.

Yours faithfully, ELIZABETH BENDLE Research Assistant, Centre for Banking and International Finance. The City University, Northampton Square, London EC1V ORB.

Windmills

From Mr Donald Campbell Sir, I cannot understand the reluctance of Englishmen to review the windmill. Its income is tax-free, its only mention in law is the Highways: Act of 1935 (not within 50 yards of the public road), and it is one of the few devices that makes you money while you sit and look at it. Strely the machine for the welfare state? Yours faithfully DONALD CAMPBELL

Insurance cover on a house

From Mr. C. W. Bumphreys Sir, I live in a seventeent century, numbered and thatche cottage. It might fetch £70,90 in today's market. But if it wer totally destroyed and I decide to repuild an exact replic (fairly crazy), it would con-bearer £140,000. That is if hearer 144,000. Luat as a could find the necessar manerials and skills (fair) whikely).

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tion has just issued a leafle clearly stating the officie answer: You should base you sum insured on the full rebuild ing cost of your home to ensure that you are covered for the right amount—neither too little

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That means that, it I tolls the BIA instruction and insur for £140,000. I shall be paying a premium calculated on double the amount which I could has to recover under the policy means that my policy moses that my policy moses that are another comparable to the policy mose of I can fine one, by will not evable me to rebuil where I have where I am. Its

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C. W. HUMPHREYS, Capel House, 52 New Broad Street, London BC2M 13Y. December 11.

investment decisions. These matters occupy a significant proportion of the educational courses and training programmes followed by stadents preparing for membership of the major accountance, bodies. May I suggest that those who question the capacity of accountants to make a courtibution to the managerial Low yield of capital taxes From Mr. Peter Milne -

Sir, I hesitate to disagree will Lock. Cockfield and Olive Stanley on the subject of tax tion, but there appears to be discrepancy between the discrepancy between an including the control of capital taxes and those contained in the inlan contained in the Inlan Revenue's Financial Statemer and Budget Report 1979-80. Oliver Stanley has quote Lord Cockried as stating the Lord Cockneid as stating the capital races yield £2,000m i total and goes on to give figures for capital transfer to and capital gains tax of £400. and £500m, respectivel According to the Inlan Revenue, the outrum it capital taxes in 1978-79 we £1,168m of which the makitems were stamp dury £4337 capital gains tax £353m an

capital transfer tax £323m.

The Inland Revenue ar looking for an increase tabout 10 per cent in the tal from CGT and CTT durin 1979-80 with the total rising t fli345m.
Oliver Stanley recognize that the scope for relaxin CGT and CTT is limited by th fact that their yields ar already low when the costs o administration and complianc of these taxes are considered. Some feel that the only wit

ners from these taxes are thos m the Revenue and the professions whom CIT and CG: keep in employment. Given the tiny yield not of collection rosts, it is not possible rargue that the non-wealtholders have benefited from holders have benefited from this attempt at redistribution.

Although Oliver Stanley I likely to be right in concluding that abolition of one or bor taxes is not in prospect; I factor see the justification for their continued existence. Yours faithfully, ... PETER MILNE, 47 Roderick Road,

London NW3... December 12.

Age-old industry of the forest

Forest of Dean conjures up visions of free miners pushing trucks of hand hewn ore up and down adus in between rounding up their straying sheep.
In fact, the foor thriving towns of the Forest Cinder-ford, Coletord, Lydney and Mitcheldean as well as Newent on its outskirts, possess a diverse range of modern factories, including the big manufacturing complex of Rank Xerox at Mircheldean. The local council is also making an effort to attract new industries to a 104-acre site that it is developing at Cinderford.

The forest, which is the part of Gloucestershire between the Severn and Wye, is rich in iron, coal, stone and nimber, all of coal, stone and namoer, an or which have been explained since prehistoric times. Its development has been hepped through the centuries by the existence of a number of little ports on the Severa.

Mining has long been curried on by independent, folk who have combined this activity with the exercise of age old and jealously guarded grazing and other forcest rights. They have

Industry in the regions

mostly the property of the Forestry Commission. The Forest is also a popular. tourist area, with several hun-And it is a magnet for commu-ters, mostly people working in Gloucester. On present arends this daily addi flow will have doubled by the 1990s, a develop-ment which the focal authorities would like to arrest.
At the same time, a steadily growing work-force is finding employment within the Forest and so constitutes the fourth

The biggest industry is the Rank Kerox factories at Mir-cheldean, Lydney and Cinder-ford. The largest of them, we Mitcheldeza, covers 67 acres. They provide work for more man 4,300 people, about a quarter of employed people in the

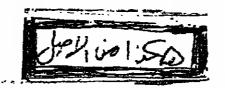
Beecham Foods and Engenard industries are amonother companies operating of fairly large scale in the arestable at Woongreen coal ibeing extracted from an operating of the companies of the compa Lest mine covering 200 acres. local economy still further, the Forest of Dean district council has designated a site of 10 acres at Cinderford for neumdustries.

Plots of from half-an-acre t iwo acres are immediately available on a 99-year ground lease, all fully serviced and with no liability for rost

tharges.

The Forest of Dean has a communication problems. The M50, linking the Midlands with South Wales, crosses in northern sector and the Midlands of the ekirts its southern tip on the Welsh side of the Severi Rail links are also good, and there is a small airfield, used mainly by executive aircraft, 2 Staverton, midway between Gloucester and Che tenham The Forest major airports of Bristol, Birm Another old-established fac inghain and Cardiff, all about

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BY THE KINANCIAL EDITOR

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How to market Government debt

he Treasury and the Bank of England ave not been having the quietest of hristmases. Apart from having to pare ublic spending plans, they have also had cope with Ministers applety to have the hole issue of monetary reform sorted out and that means not simply devising more ificient ways of controlling the banking estem but, in all probability, of improving a methods of marketing Government debt.

There have, of course, been a number of evelopments already aimed at improving inding, such as the more vigorous use of ational savings and certificates of tax eposit. And in the gilt market itself there as been the introduction of variable rate 1d partly-paid stocks.

Variable rate issues have generally not sen as generous as some hoped while the atial speculative appeal of the partly paid ily works if the underlying conditions are

None of these developments have proded more than a limited solution to the inding problem. Consequently, the prob-in remains an important area for debate, ad there is little shortage of solutions on

At one end of the spectrum are those ho want direction of investment. At the her end are those who believe the present stem is probably adequate provided that ie Government runs a smaller borrowing quirement. Others believe that the comnation of a more reasonable borrowing our ement and an effective monetary con-ol system using the monetary base will use much of the pressure off the gilt

In the middle, there are those who want to incentrate on debt instruments and debt arketing. Here the most commonly prorsed solutions are : index linked bonds : a inuine tender mechanism (not to be consed with the kind of tender presently sed to take the top off the borrowing cost a rising market); and the greater range. short-term debt instruments.

All three however, have their problems dex linked bonds are still regarded in ficial circles as the thin end of a danger is wedge. The wholesale switch to the nder system implies radical change in the ock market structure, with the change in e gilt market inevitably flowing through the squity market too.

Nor that this would necessarily be bad; it it would certainly take time and require msiderable thought. There are several guments against increasing the number short-term debt instruments.

One, concerns control of the banking stem's reserve assets and by extension, s capacity to increase credit. This, hower; is semething that could be dealt with a monetary reform package that concenated on greater control of the assets side

banks halance slicets.

The other objection is the potential financing problem in a period when the overnment is already facing a massive

eriods of high interest rates. It is a face: the funding problem to which too little tention has been given as the authorities tye concentrated most of their attention t, securing the most obtains source of nds, the long term institutional investor.

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stormy meeting is in prospect, but perial Group seems almost certain to get way when sharcholders vote in London lay on the planned \$630m takeover of the ward clohnson restaurant chain in the rited States.

The majority of institutions, who control bund one-third of the equity, has been favour of the deal since the outset and e Imperial board has apparently done a od job in ironing-out pockets of resistance. ve & Prosper, for example, has switched stance within the past few days, and is w backing the deal.

The underlying institutional riew seems be that whatever brickbats might be rown at Imperial—and there is plenty of ununition available—the deal looks a und long-term move. On balance their

ew looks right.

Admittedly: Imperial is paying a high-ice for Ho-Jo but an exit p/e ratio of over is not far wide of the norm for United ates takeovers, as British banks, for ample, have found. It is also true that stead of chancing its arm in the United

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Meanwhile, Opec, the organi-tion which Venezuela was-ugely responsible for found-

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States, imperial could run down its £340m in gilts, and reward shareholders with a páyout-perhaps as much as 25p a share without upsetting the gearing too drastically.

However. Imperial has been signalling a bid of this dimension for some time and shareholders who have kept faith with the group—presumably for the progressive dividend record rather than profits performance—can hardly quibble now that those plans have turned into reality.

Pears that Ho-Jo may have run out of growth are not so easy to allay especially as profits this year are unlikely to be much above last year's \$33.6m with the motor lodges hard-hit by summer fuel shortages.

Imperial's argument is that the shortages were exceptional and that the Americans

will do their utmost to retain their mobile lifestyle, and Ho-Jo is already diversifying info localized community restaurants.
Swinging the balance is the fact that even

in the short-term the acquisition will cause only marginal earnings dilution although on a rough calculation of Ho-Jo's assets, which include \$80m cash, gearing could rise from around 50 per cent to nearer 80 per cent after deducting goodwill.

There is still a slight possibility that the deal could fail if Imperial's lawyers cannot overcome State liquor licensing problems and even if successful the transaction could be delayed well into next summer. This might not be a bad thing for Imperial which is almost certainly sitting on a fairly sizable current loss on its gilt holdings and would have to carry some heavy short-term borrowing costs while awaiting redemption if the deal went through now.

Meanwhile, currency movements are making the deal look cheaper all the time in sterling terms—£286m, at the moment against £300m initially-although the picture could change between now and next

Imperial has not been all that canny a buyer in the past—the returns from Courage are very low compared with the cost and Eastwood is worryingly cyclical—but needs something more than the vulnerable tobacco business in the 1980s. Ho lo is the right size, in the right business and the right currency to fit the bill.

Norcros

Acquisition benefits

Norcros has had to lean heavily on its recent acquisition of Johnson-Richards Tiles to keep profits looking respectable in an otherwise difficult trading period in the six months to the end of September.

Without the Johnson-Richards cushlon, profits would have been £1.5m adrift but in the event the comparable figure has been held to a £0.2m setback leaving pre-tax profits-of £8.02m.

In what is becoming a familiar partern for There should however, be a considerable the group, exports and the overseas operatraction in shortening the debt profile in tions are proving more resilient than the domestic side. So while operation at home are a quarter lower at £3.3m, overseas is only an eighth down at £2.9m. losses in France have been more than balved at £400,000 but the cutback in state spending has lopped £1m off Nigeria's contribution at

In the United Kingdom the chief damage has come from the impact of the engineering strike on the materials handling and light engineering divisions. Norcros reckons the strike to have cost it film and this has meant a £1.7m swing to losses of £0.8m in materials

Elsewhere, a strong performance from Crittal Warmhije double glazing and tiles has not prevented the consumer division also going into the red by £0.37m.

Once again the problem child on the consumer side is Hygens kitchen furniture which has chalked up losses of £400.000 in the first half and once again Norcros is banking on reorganization there to pull it back into the black next year.

Whatever the short-term problems, Nor-

cros is reasonably confident about the futire—printing and packaging for example should pick up if sterling weakens-and is backing that with a heavy capital spending programme, spread evenly throughout the group, of £12m which the balance sheet can handle without undue strain.

When Norcros does fire on all cylinders. it could become exciting, but for the moment the black spots make the shares rather speculative. But a p/e ratio of 5 on the low tax charge assuming an unchanged £20m this year and a prospective 11 per cent yield, if the dividend is increased by a tenth, is taking

Workers on the board: what went wrong at the Post Office

The trade unions now realize that

An experiment in industrial democracy will end this month with the decision of the Government not to reappoint trade mion nominees to the Post Office Board. The reason given is lack

of agreement on the continuatween the Post Office and the unions. It is an open secret that the real objection came from all but one of the fulltime management members of the board, all men of great experience either to business or Post Office management or

The Post Office management would claim that it is not against participation as such, merely this particular form of

Equal numbers of trade union, nominated members and union nominated members and management members, with a smaller group of independents, have made for a large board. In their first two years, the trade infon board members, careful of their different constituencies have concentrated. stituencies, have concentrated at the expense, say manage-ment, of some other broad policy issues.

a deeper level, Post At a deeper level, Post Office management says that conflicts of interest are too sharp for constructive discussion of policy issues, a view confirmed by external moni-ture from the Warwick-based Industrial Relations Research

the problems facing industry are too important for their resolution to be left to management alone

to meet management's own cri-teria for the experiment of speedier and more effective the customer.

This view is not shared by the unions. They say that in an organization like the Post Office, beavily dependent on labour-intensive operations and the goodwill of employees working in a technically complex environment, industrial relations is more central than the Post Office has acknowladded

For many years the tone of tionships has been set by unions; reliance by agement upon willing relationships management upon willing trade union cooperation has led to a lack of management sensitivity on industrial relations issues. This year's strike problems arose from the wages explosion at the end of incomes policy, not from industrial democracy.
The unions think that

and understanding of Post Office problems and policies will gradually inform collective easier, but to make it more soundly based. It is a two-way process. Union members on the

their attitudes and of the

pressures upon their members. This makes for bet-

ter board decisions-as,

example, in dealing with the impact of changing technology on Post Office staff. These differences in perception reflect differences in

expectations.

Management looks achievement of formal objecrives; unions to a process of development, starting from the basis of a well-tried system of collective bargaining and con-The Post Office unions will

was a useful and important development. Discussions will

much of management. continue, of course; Looked at from this end of unions certainly cannot afford to stop looking for development, faced as they are with rising aspirations on the part

an increasing role in determin-ing the total environment in which they work. Nor can the unions afford to let management slip into a completely adversary role.

Meanwhile, both sides are faced with a substantial set of problems in the Post Officeorganizational tas a result of the split between postal and tele-communications services); and technological and operational problems affecting services to

of their members, not only for

That is the nub of the thing and the lesson for British industry. The trade unions now realize that the problems facing industry are too important for their resolution to be left to management alone. Wrong solu-

the customers.

and declining standards which point to Britain ending up as an industrial slum
That is why unions will insist increasingly upon first exercising an influence on and then taking a share in decision-making. That is the strategic consideration. But at shop-floor level it is possible to observe a growing impatience on the part of workers with observe a growing impatience on the part of workers with the sheer incompetence, of

the telescope, I wonder if management and unions are when they agree about the need for participation. need for participation. Certainly, at the CBI con-ference—which I attended and ference—which I attended and recommend to trade union colleagues—there was much talk of participation and involvement, but little evidence of formal commitment to equality in decision-making or discusary to achieve it.

In the Post Office-or any other organization, for that matter—the first step to wisdom about participation is an acknowledgement that the "right to manage", without involvement of the managed, has gone for ever.

Antony Carter The author is secretary general of the Council of Post Office

Michael Frenchman

How much oil off the Falklands?

New evidence for what may be a major oil find in the South Atlantic near the disputed Falkland Islands is coming to light. This follows the collection and analysis of new information from a number of seismic and other surveys carried out by British, American, and Argen-Important developments are

tine companies and agencies. taking place in the exploration of hydrocarbon and marine resources in these controversisi waters. After rising oil prices and continuing political changes in the Middle East the changes in the Middle East the pressure is on to evaluate possible oil deposits, which, according to the United States Geological Survey in the early seventies, could be nine times the North Sea. This estimate was greeted with some incredulity at first, but now seems to be treated with less scepticism.

Last year a joint seismic sur-

Last year a joint seismic survey of the continental shelf. was carried out on behalf of the Argentine and British gov-ernments. This covered the 400mile wide ocean floor between the mainland of Argentine and the islands, whose sovereignty is the subject of a long standing dispute with Britain.

There is a strong possibility that a substantial oil facility to

service present and future offsbore drilling programmes could be established in the tiny group of islands, which have a population of under 2,000.

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physical. It covered approxi-mately 200,000 square miles of the sea bed.

British government officials have refused until now to make any comment on the findings of the survey. But, after the recent agreement to exchange ambassadors, after an absence of three years, the Foreign and Commonwealth Office now says that the preliminary survey
"does not rule out the presence of hydrocarbons".

The British National Oil Corporation also agrees that the
results are "more encouraging
than discouraging." than discouraging "

Texas Instruments UK. behalf of Geophysical Services Inc. obtained an exploration licence for £100 from the licence for £100 from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and "shot" a total of Office and "shot" a total of 15,832 kms of seismic graphic licence also gave the company the option for three annual renewals and it appears that another survey was carried out by GSI involving a further of the Faiklands, believes that ing in the new YPF concession further surveys and texts are areas off Tierra del Fuego.

again covered most of the conessential. He adds: "There is Numerous risk contracts and tinential shelf to the west of the possibility of a major hydro-

The survey, which included that sedimentary rock layers sponsorship by BP and three of the hydrocarbon bearing other leading oil companies, type exist in five main rock was done by two American basins on the continental shelf. Argentina is already drilling in vices Inc and Western Geother Southernmost offshore of the hydrocarbon bearing type exist in five main rock basins on the continental shelf. the southern-most offshore areas east of the island of Tierra del Fuego and on the

Oil has been found in the socalled "Spring Hill formation" at a depth of over two kilo-metres just above the Jurassic rock layer. This information is shown on a speculative geologi-cal cross section map of the Mazellan basin which stretches across the continental shelf from the Mazellan straights, which divide Tierra del Fuego from the mainland, to Weddell Island in the Falklands.

Based on the latest available data this map section indicates that the same kind of oil-bearing rock formation should be found approximately 4! degrees west Weddell Island at a depth of 3.5 kilometres between the Cre-

Alexander MacDonald. whose company, MacDonald Drilling and Offshore Services. is proposing a new exploration programme to the government

in participating in exploration."

It would be necessary to prove an oil output of at least 150,000 barrels a day to make production drilling viable. The Argentine state oil agency, YPF, has already gone

shead with an expanding offshore drilling programme on a risk contract basis with international companies. Two of the latest concession blocks covering 14,000 sq km are being awarded to an Esso consortium in blocks TDF EI and EII. The next two blocks to the east of these-CMA-4 and CMA-5bring Argentina's drilling programme in the southern Malvinas Basin very close to the Falklands and include an area where it is expected to find the

same oil-bearing rock forma-tion as Spring Hill. With the acceleration in oil activity in the region both Mr MacDonald and Metra, the Angle-French consultants, be-lieve that the Falklands will have an important role to play in the future development of oil exploration even at its pre-sent stage. The islands offer the only practical base to service rigs which will be operatto admit this or even discuss it publicly, because of the sensiover the sovereignty An additional factor, accord-

has been a marked reluctance

ing to one source, is the conflict part of some advisers to the authorities. Foreign and Commonwealth Office says that it will now give consideration to any app cations, bearing in mind the problems involved. Mr E. W. Hunter Christie

Islands Research and Develop ment Association in soid yesterday about the pros-pects for oil: "Somer or later somebody is going to have to drill there. We are on the wrong foot because the FCO pursued the wrong policy ten years ago. "What would have been a risky political development and a doubtful commercial one is now becoming an essential one of development. Never mind the politics, it is far more likely to be profitable now than it was

even three years ago."

Air Christie says successive governments have refused to grusp the "oil nettle" in the Numerous risk contracts and Falklands. He wants urgent gov-production sharing agreements for oil exploration and develop-Britain and the Falklands could earlier this year.

Coll experts from both the oil there is now an economic islands and to the British GovUnited States and Britain agree - proposition and many major oil ernment as the main licensing Southern oceans.

Glass banks begin to pay dividends

Throw-away containers provide Britain's glass bottle industry with almost all its profits. With the nation consuming extra millions of bottles of drink over Christmas it is sobering to con-sider what happens to all the

empties.

Despite the gradual spread of the industry's "bottle bank" scheme, which reles on householders taking bottles to a cenholders taking bottles to a central point, only a tay proportion of no-deposit bottles are melted down for re-usa. Big efforts are now being made to install bottle banks in 200 towns and cities by the end of 1981. But, even then, these purpose-built skips will be collecting about 150,000 tonnes of glass a year—a mere 10 per cent of national consumption.

The industry, through ks The industry, through its turers' Federation (GMF) is pleased, however, and more than a little surprised at the reception that so far has been

afforded to the scheme. What

was initially a public relations clear, amber and green bottles exercise to counter environmentalists' criticisms of throw-away bottles and jars has become a permanent project which has to the glass works. permanent project which has already spurred investment in recycling of more than £800,000.

it has generated vast enthu-siasm and there is no reason to believe that it cannot stand on its own feet economically ".

At present, the economics of bottle banks are slightly hazy. The scheme is in its infancy and the potential profit for the glass

makers remains uncertain.
The banks, of which there are at present about 50, are in-stalled in conjunction with local authorities who provide the skips and glass storage areas and are paid a price for the cuilet, or waste glass, that is index-linked to the cost of raw materials. Householders are encouraged to dispose of their

The main ingredients of glass —aoda ash, sand and limestone -cost an average of £30 per Mr Steve Shelley, assistant tonne, while the current deliv-director of the GMF, says that ered price per tonne of cullet he had not expected it to be more than an experiment, "but sing the cullet and Perbusare of United Glass and Rockware, who are building new recycling plants, depreciation charges are added to the cullet price, the cost to the manufacturer of recycling waste becomes almost the same as that of virgin raw materials.

There is, however, a potential energy saving of some sig-nificance. The GMF calculates that the planned expansion of bottle banks will lead to a saving of power used in raw material extraction and glass manufacture equal to four million gallons of oil, worth at present prices about £1.5m a

banks and we are encouraging the amount of waste authorities to donate what glass used in the furnace money they do make to local "mix". charkies".
The GMF says, cautiously, that

of glass per week per skip then it will not lose on the deal.

The cost of five skips and storage bays is estimated at 15,000. If each yielded the con-

servative one tonne per week, it would take nearly 45 weeks to cover initial costs and that takes no account of delivery charges. These figures, however, are not totally representative. Reading for example, expects to raise £3,000 from the first year's operation of its bottle banks

and put the money towards the purchase of an artificial kidney machine. Respectable returns for the glass makers are dependent upon a much greater through-put of cullet. Rising raw material costs provided some stimulus to United Glass's and Rockware's investments, but it will be several years before domestic cullet supplies reach "to put the b

cach can handle.

One thing is certain: if the

Mr Shelley adds a warning supply of cullet were sufficient that "we don't expect that any and guaranteed, there is no body is going to make vast technical reason to prevent amounts of money out of bottle Britain's glass makers at least

The average cullet content in most bottles and jars is 20 per so long as a local authority is most bottles and jars is 20 per within 150 miles of a glass works and can collect one tonne contain 30-40 per cent recycled

The major constraint in the United Kingdom is supply, In recent years, the efficiency of glass furnaces has increased from 80 per cent to about 90 per cent, which means that the glass makers have themselves created less waste to throw back into the furnaces. A certain into the furnaces. A certain the mix to give the end product strength and the manufacturers traditionally have been able to satisfy their needs by recovering waste from their big commercial customers.
In the future, unless there is

a swing back to the returnable bottle, there will be a greater reliance on what one glass-industry man described as a willingness by the community to put the bortle bank before

Edward Townsend

Business Diary profile



Shaikh Yamani has become almost the symbol of Opec, seen as both its leader and mentor, though in reality he is neither.
In the early days he was

responsible for much of the thought which went into the successful campaign for pro-Venezuela, a Catholic duter country participation in ountry with the only flourish the ownership of the resources in South explosied by the multinamerica, is this week host to the old King Faisal his infine the Islamic revival. It is a fluence in Saudi Arabia has

catch ruhe eye of television

camera and carroonist alike.



Snarl-up in Caracas: (left to right) oil ministers Sheikh Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah (Kuwait), Ali Akbar Moinfar (Iran) and Shalkh Yamani (Saudi Arabia).

waned and, with the shortages political operator and will use caused by the cutbacks in Iran, the preemptive strike of the so has his influence within price rise by the moderate pec itself.

Yet he remains a formidable advantage to gain a uniform

structure to which all Opec countries can stick.

If he succeeds, he may tcwards his goal of steady, un-spectacular increases, which will give the West time to adjust to an expensive future of energy shorrage; and which will bring the cash rewards demanded by the owners of a scarce resource.

The Venezuelans have the same long-term ambitions and long-term talks about with the consuming

Libya, a pricing "hawk", would like to set up a fund to help the Third World, while Iran believes that 100 much has been given away already. Production must be reduced, the West must pay through the nose and, if necessary, reduce its standard of living to accommodate shortages.

For all the economic philoso-phy with which Opec presents the case for price rises it is really the simple Hobbesian world where life is nasty and brutish and oil supplies are short. The justification for increases may be the need to bring prices to a level near the cost of alternative supplies, but really any excuse will do. The hawks push for what the market will bear.
Altruism is in Opec's mind,
but not in its heart. Will it

always be so?.

The trappings of a different kind of organization are there. There is a secretariat in Vienna which studies the economics of oil in great depth. There are seminars—David Howell, Britain's energy secretary spoke at the last onewhere energy problems are dis-

Strategic committee " looking at future oil production and pricing.

But over it all is the spectre of a militant Iran, shutting up hostages and shutting down production. Its oil minister, Ali Akbar Moinfar, looks more like the symbol of Opec today than the urbane Shaikh Yamani.

Who leads Opec, and may dictate whether it is to become an organization increasingly in conflict with the western world, will become clearer world, will become clear over the next day or two

So far, the worst losers since Opec realized the extent of its power after the Yom Kippur War six years ago have been the countries of the Third World. There is talk both of reactivating the "North/South dialogue" and of a United Nations-sponsored energy conference—talk also of lower prices for Third World countries. Will the real Opec please stand up?

Nicholas Hirst

62 per cent profit boost for E.J. Riley

Alan R. Deal, Chairman, makes the following points in the Annual Report & Accounts, mailed to shareholders

₩ Pre-tax profit for the year to 31 July 1979 was £803,023, compared with £496,913 in the previous year, an increase of 62 per cent.

* Snooker manufacturing profits were 17 per cent higher than the previous year while snooker clubs showed a 45 per cent rise.

* Furniture Division profits topped the 1977/78

figure by 79 per cent; with the china and glassware retail shops trading profitably in their first year with the group. * Final Dividend of 2.5p net per ordinary share

recommended by Directors, making a total of 3.5p net (2.6p net in 1977/78). * Current Trading: With trading conditions generally difficult, profits in the first few months are below those of last year, but the group has an energetic management team and workforce which will continue to produce favourable results whatever the economic climate.

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S & N Breweries and Nthn Foods to report

the Christmas holiday period, group's first full property rethe market will see a strong valuation conducted from outcontingent of companies report- side in over two years. This ing from the food and drinks is expected to reveal asset sector, with interim figures from values of between 220p and Unigate and Scottish & New- 250p. castle Breweries and full-year figures from Northern Foods.

On Thursday, the Bank of are expected to reflect the in-England releases the Central Government borrowing requirements for the third quarter and the money supply figures which are expected to show an increase of about | per cent. This is followed on Friday by.

he gross domestic product igures for the third quarter redased by the CSO, while the Depart ment of Transport will be bublishing the new vehicle registrations for November. On Tuesday shareholders in

MEPC will be anxious to hear of the latest developments in the group's £20m W1 Developmen in Oxford Street, which it had hoped to have let to Wallis Fashion Group, before its serinus financial problems attracted tile bid from Sears. Most hopes ate now pinned on the Burton Group which is now tipped to become the new tenant.

Profits for the full year are pitched at around £13.5m compared with £10.3m last year.
The main consideration of this

In the last full week before rise in profits stems from the

On the same day full-year figures from Northern Foods clusion of profits from its latest acquisitions which include Pork Farms and Goldrei, Foucard. Estimates range hetween £25m and £27m compared with £22.4m last year. While good progress has been made on the food side, strikes and the holding steady of flour prices will have worked against the group's milling operations. However, the brewery side is expected to weigh in with a slight increase in performance.

This week

Interim profits from Ferranti on Wednesday are expected to show the ravages of the recent stoppages by the engineering workers and a strike in its own



Mr P. E. G. Balfour chairman of-Scottish & Newcastle Breweries

Hopes for the full year are around £10m to £11m, compared with £9.9m for the correspond-

The order book for its computer operations and Scottish factory is strong, while the decision to close its Oldham operation, where the group first began back in 1905 has now been taken.
Thursday sees the interim

figures from the other major food group reporting. Unigate. Here the experts are going for around £18m against £15.1m last figures are anticipated to be year compared with £3.2m last time. From against £15.1m last time with £50m for the full time with £50m for the full time with £43.4m last time. From against £15.1m last time with £50m for the full time with £50m for the full time with £50m for the full time.

from the milk operations which account for about 30 per cent of sales, and are sharply up on last year. The dairy products division is also expected to have performed well, in spite of EEC competition, as has its Scot Bowyer subsidiary.

Thursday also sees the interim figures from the North East-based brewery group, Scottish & Newcastle. Here, figures range between

£23m and £24.6m against £216m. The gradual recovery. in the group's profits are expected to start showing through in the current year, but market observers expect some of the recovery to be hit by massive interest charges of about 60 per cent which should make a tidy dent in what profits the group had been hoping for in the full year. Figures for the full year are pitched somewhere in the £37m to £39m region comparing with £35.7m last time. S. & N. have now begun to win back a larger share of the North-east market which has been helped by the strike at Federated Breweries in Newcastle and a price increase in February. Profits from Harp Lager are also expected to show through as its reorganization did not take place until September.
TODAY. — Interims: Caffyns. County and District Properties, Crown House, Domb Hldgs, Estates and Agency Hldgs, Gresham Iov Tst, Kennedy

Smale, London Merchant Secs, National Carbonising and Siebe Gorman Bldgs. Finals: Attock Petroleum, Heywood Williams, Martin, the Newsagent, North British Steel and Wearra Grp.

TOMORROW .- Interims : FMC, Laurence Scott, Premier Consd Oilfields, Property Hidg and Inv Tst and Stanhope General Invest. Finals: MEPC, Northern Foods, Nottingham Brick and Plaxtons (Scarborough).

WEDNESDAY. — Interims: Alginate Inds. Brownlee, Cooper Industs, Danag Inv Tst, Electric and Gen Inv. Equity Consort Inv Tst. Ferranti, Forminster, Hollis Bros and E.S.A., A. Monk, Plysu, Radiant Metal Finishing and Ward and Goldstone. Finals: Bluemel Bros. BOC Inti, Grennall Whitley, Redman Heenan Intl and Spencer Clark Metal Inds.

THURSDAY.—Interims: British Steam Specialities, Doranakande Rubber, ERF Hldgs, Philip Harris Hldgs, Hazlewoods (Proprietary), S. Hoffnung, London and Liverpoo! Tst, Marston Thomson and Evershed, Norton and Wright, Nova (Jersey), Knit, R. Paterson, Petbow Hldgs, Scottish and Newcastle Brews, Trustee Corp and Unigate. Pinals: Cronite Grp, Hawkins and Tipson and Lazard Bros-Sterling Reserve Fond. FRIDAY.—Interims: Batleys of Yorkshire and Continuous Stationery. Finals: Homfray and THURSDAY .- Interims : British tionery. Finals: Homfray and

minimum lending rare has hit the discounthouses vey hard indeed. In its twenty fourth annual review of the sector Montagu Loebl Stanley argues that rumours of bankruptcies and mergers "have been exag-gerated". gerated "...

The broker expects lower interest rates next year to result in small increases in disclosed profits and do not anticipate the new merhods of monetary control expected to be announced shortly to havemore than a "marginal effect".

Gerrard & National and Union are selected for the quality of their management and longer-term the brokers expect the number of houses to have dropped to five and see an extension of their range of activities,

Edinburgh brokers Bell. Lawrie, Macgregor is as one would expect already on top of the bid for Highland Distithe bid for Highland Distri-laries. Its conclusion is that while the offer from Hiram Walker, the Canadian drinks group, of 130p a share in cash is not unrealistic when set agains! Highland's pre-bid share price in the market, the Highland board could well put up an impressive defence on asset grounds.

Tipson and Lazard
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The broker produces asset
figures, including "hidden
worth" estimates, suggesting
that Highland's underlying
asset worth could be as much
as 146p a share. This all supports market thinking that if
Hiram Walker really wayes to

Staying with the drinks in-dustry, de Zoete & Bevan has been examining the brewers, suggesting how they might fair as they enter the recession-

and, worse, that for the first in recent memory the classical defensive qualities of ciassical detensive qualities of brewers may not apply. With duty increases likely in the April Budget, de Zoete sees the trading outlook for brewers in the face of pressure on consumer spending becoming progressively harsher as

Brokers' views

That said, the broker pro- ingly bad."

ceeds to destroy its case by And there is concern the adding that the financial the impact of the recession strengths of most brewers are will fall disproportionately of such that relative to other sectors they could weather the coming storm reasonably de Zoete's pessimism is thus getting stronger daily by heavily qualified the message being don't sell brewers, but don't sell brewers, but don't buy yet either. That sounds like a hold the message being don't sell brewers, but don't buy yet either. That the classifier is hooks as 1979

Closing its books on 1979 (nilter Hilton Goodson's monthly strategy notes see the Government almost certainly bringing money supply under control next year. That will lead to lower interest will lead to lower interest. Worse they will be compared trates and produce a better with the first half of this year gilts market. But in the corwing the porate sector Quilter still retailers were moving after moving about falling company strongly.

This of course is not goo for the equity market, an while Quilter maintains the many of the difficulties fo companies are alceady. counted in share prices, the

tion in the economy are hi particularly after oil pric and more of which will com this week. Advice; on equities fror-

Quilter, then, is to be cauriou-and to consider selling into rechnical naily. Carr Sebag i in broad agreement. Prospect of a deep and prolonged rece-sion are certainly strengther ing it says, and the outloo. for the corporate sector ca only be described as "alarm

Prospects for industrial con panies apart, all this begs th question of what happens t

retailers. Scott, Golf Hancock's ton on the sector says profits with the under pressure, particularly in the first half of next year Worse they will be compare with the first half of this year when sales and profits be

Company Limited presents the following unaudited report of Group profit for the half-year ended 30th September 1979.

		197 Half-year 30.9.	anded	1978 Half-year (30.9.7	ended
		£ million	£ million	. £ million	£ million
	_TURNOVER (note 1)		438.2		444.4
	TRADING PROFIT (note 2)	79.2 2.2		85.8 1.5	
	fucome trom transferante	B1.4		87.3	
	Financial charges (note 3)	(2.0)	79.4	(2.8)	84.5
ļ	Share of profit of associated company		1.7		3.0
	Surplus on realisation of investment. Translation differences on exchange.		0.1 (0.4)		0.5
	PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION		80.8		88.0
1	Taxation (note 4)		(28.0)		(30.0)
ļ	Minority shareholders' interests		52.7		(0.1) 57.9
	PROFIT BEFORE EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS Extraordinary items (note 5)		4.1		(2.8)
P75	SURPLUS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE DISTILLERS COMPANY LIMITED		56.8		55.1
L.		74,510		15.94p	
ŀ	EARNINGS PER SHARE (note 6)	(4.01p	•		
٠.	Notes:	1979		1978 £ million	
l	(1) Turnover	£ million		Z IMIIIQA	
	Sales excluding duty - United Kingdom	715.0		113.6	
١,	~ Other markets	198.2 125.0		188.9 141.9	
•	Duty	438.2		444.4	
١.	(2) Trading profit is stated after charging				
1.	Depreciation	4.5		4.2	
ŀ	Conversion differences on exchange	0.3		0.2	
	(3) Financial charges	(7.3)		(7.5)	
	Interest charges on loans Income earned on liquid funds	5.2		4.3	
-	Interest relief grants	0.1		0.4	
<u>}</u> .		(2.0)		(2.8)	
Ė	(4) Taxation Taxation is based on an estimate of the e	Mastire rate of t	av subleb stått i	sa navohio se	the profit
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of the year, without providing for deferred UK tax except in relation to short term timing

	Omerances.	1979	1978
		£ million	£ million
5)	Extraordinary items Surplus on realisation of leasehold interest Expenditure and commitments relating to	6.0	_
	settlement of thelidomide claims	(0.1) 5.9	(4.4)
	Less attributable taxetion	(1.8)	(2.8)

(6) Eamings per share Earnings per share are based on the profit before extraordinary items.

Interim Dividend

The Board has declared an interim dividend for the year ending 31st March 1980 at the rate of 3p per share (last year same) absorbing £10.9 million, equivalent with the associated tax credit to 4.28571p pershare (last year 4.47761p). The dividend is payable on 22nd February 1980 to shareholders on the register at 11th January 1980.

Review of Trading

Much of the Group's Scotch whisky production capacity, and the Scottish yeast factory, were affected by unofficial strikes which developed early in September in support of a pay claim and were not settled until 18th October. Shipments of Scotch whisky in the six months to 30th September consequently fell considerably short of those for the comparable period in 1978. Gin bottlings in Scotland were similarly affected with a resultant loss of sales in the UK market. Current estimates of the loss attributable to the industrial dispute indicate that a figure of approximately £9 million is reflected in the trading results for the half year. Because consumer demand in overseas markets could be met, in the main. from distributors' stocks, not all of the sales frustrated by the strikes in September and October will be irretrievably lost, but some will not be recoverable and a consequential diminution of revenue and of profit is inevitable.

Future Prospects

The continued strength of sterling against the currencies of many important overseas markets, in particular the US dollar, the growing effect of inflation upon costs and indications of a softening of demand in some areas, militate against a strong finish to the financial year. In these circumstances the present estimate of the Board is that, absent any unforeseen factors affecting production or sales, the results for the year as a whole are unlikely to differ significantly from those of last year.

The Distillers Company Limited

Now could be the time to buy gold shares

One does not need to be a be ruled out—but that share-financial wizard to work out holders have enjoyed a good why gold mines shares, partirum for their money and no cularly South Africans, are so harm will come to them If popular. Spurred by yet another record gold price, which was fixed on Thursday at \$461, and made desperate by prognostications that increased oil prices, revolution in Iran, and faster inflation will mean the end of civilization as the investor knows it, rich buyers have been moving strongly into

the market.

The possibility of a peaceful sertlement in Rhodesia has ancouraged greater confidence in South Africa's future than has been felt since Sharpeville.

It might therefore appear a lively contract to selt whether little contrary to ask whether this is the time to take profits from gold shares. But the idea is being seriously suggested around the City, and it is worthy of consideration. The point is not that the market is beading for an imminent crash,

they realise at least some of their gains now.

Mining

That shareholders have done well is clear. Over the last 12 months the gold mines index has more than doubled to 266.4 on Friday, adding 23.2 points over the week alone. Most South African mines are at or close to their highs for the year, with yields for the best quality stocks at around 20 per

Furthermore, one stock-broker has calculated that on a gold price of \$425, the sector's average yield is a mouth-wateror even that next year's ing 26 per caverage gold price will be disstill attracti appointing—though that cannot down again. ing 26 per cent. So prices are still attractive if gold slips

Most people in the market helieve however, that the metal price has some way to go yet. shared by investors. Recent weeks have brought back faces which, as one stockbroker put it: "We have not seen since 1974.

"A perticular feature has been buying from other Euro-pean countries, though United States interest has been firm also, London's pre-eminence as the market for sold and gold shares has been reinforced by the latest international buying

An interesting aspect of this spree is the demand for top quality sheres. Attention in the present stage of a gold-boom often instead is fixed on more speculative mines. Now, however, investors are buying East Driefontein (Gold Fields of South Africa), Kloof (Gold Fields), Southwal (Augio-American), Western Deep Levels (Angio American), to the south and th

tary are interesting lines Dur-bas Roodepoort Deep (Barlow Rand), West Driefontein (Gold Fields) or similar properties.

The significance of demand for the long life mines is that investors would not seem to be trying only to find the greatest leverage to the gold price. One interpretation is that buyers do not expect the average gold price to be very much more in 1980 than in 1979, withough they do expect it to remain high.

But against that, a further surge in the matel price say in the wake of an Open price increase could be enough to tempt in the real punters. Whichever is the case its-vestment decision, are being reached on expectations of the gold price and of the couse-quent yield. Nobody at the moment is talking about that old saw of the gold mining business, present value. When gold prices are more stable and investors are taking

a view over more than two o three years, they want to knot the value of their stake over the mine's life when all fators, especially inflation, ar

So it may be that this tim the high risk mines and simpl

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Arion. After weighing the political and economic risk he might well come to the conclusion that the prospect obligater dividends next year insufficient to office a severege gold price in 1980 at significantly different from the year and renewed fighting of the Republic's norther border. To make the right guess one does need to be floagocial wisard, and a luck one at that:

Michael Pres

Caracas meeting could influence tanker rates

latest ministerial meeting of Opec beginning in Caracas today, the prospect of another rise in the price of oil vide the basis for a reunified price among Opec members, four states—Saudi Arabia, Qatar, the UAE and barrel last week. In the case of the first three

the rise was backdated to November 1 but Venezuela's runs from December 14. Arab attitude moderate towards price rises has been increasing of late and this move is aimed at overcoming that.

will be for the tanker market It is obviously too early to say. However, the traditional patfrom January 1 looms large. In tern has been for good rates—what is seen as a bid to pro- such as now being such as now being experienced—in advance of the Opec meeting with a slacken-ing off from Christmas onwards. The extent of this slack period has varied from a Venezuela—took the liberty of slack period has varied from a increasing their prices by \$6 a matter of weeks to over two months.

As to the current market performance last week saw a strange phenomenon of the rise and fell of vice rates. Quite why the fall occurred is s mystery with brokers sug-gesting a number of causes of which over-tonnaging in

past few weeks vice rate lavels
have improved from an
average of worldscale 50 up to
worldscale 65 paid during last

Freight report

At the start of this week there appeared to be no change with three early bookings by Arco, Amoco and BP for trips from the Gulf to the Carlbbean and UK/continent were taken at between worldscale 60 and 63. These fixtures were followed

52.5. Mobil and Exzon took tankers at worldscale 50 for skipllar tribs.

From these on rates started to climb back with around five vice charters to the Caribbean and Europe securing full steam rates of between world-scale 53.1 and world-scale 60.

The outlook for the Gulf sector over the coming weeks is not bright. Fears are being two grain shipments out of the expressed that the current sur. US Gulf involving 30,000 tor expressed that the current sur-plus of available tonnage will last well into January and pos-sibly beyond. Other sectors

slumped as low as worldscale with particular demands for Gulf/West voyages at and tonnage out of the UK worldscale 57.5 and worldscale problems facing dry care Problems facing dry cars owners and charterers over th change in terms that Chin was requesting in its transac tions went-some way to bein solved. However, what fixture were finalized were done .! New York as the London man ket was reluctant to conside the new terms at least at the levels being offered. Amon-the few Chinese bookings wer-

> news at a cate of 38 dollars. David Robinson

Highest-ever coupon rates fail to entice investors

Record coupon rates for international dollar bond offer-ings faried to attract much inresiment demand last week, reports AP-Dow Jones.

According to dealers and bond salesmen, many portfolio managers have yet to make up their minds about whether United States inflation is going to subside soon given this year's 89 per cent increase in the minds and all the minds for Caudi and a all the mines for Caudi and a a the price for Saudi crude oil to \$24 per barrel.

Although there are indi-cations that the United States

economy is slawing, some econ-omists are predicting that a peak in United States inflation will not necer until after the middle of next year when the economy has adjusted to higher

would be unlikely for bond vields to decline substantially because investors generally seek to obtain "real yields" that compensate for the loss of

purchasing power.
In any case, there was no sign last week that investors rally that often occurs at the beginning of each year when the cash-flow from bond portfolios is particularly heavy and short-term interest rates usually decline due to seasonal considerations.

A \$100m five-year note offering of GMC Overseas Finance Corp NV at par, bearing 11.0 per cent annually, met with resistwas priced ahead of the offerenergy costs. ing period and before yields in Under such circumstances, it the secondary market started

to rise. The notes were expected to start trading at 97.63-98. At 98, the yield to maturity would be raised to 11.55 per cent.

Managed by Morgan Stanley
International, the issue is
guaranteed by General Motors
Acceptance Corp. whose
domestic paper is rated
"AAA".
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Demand was also slack for a Som seven-year note issue of Eksportfinans A.S., an export credit agency owned by Norway's major banks. The syndicate manager, Credit Suisse-First Boston, has indicated that the Issue will be priced at 99.75, bearing 11.25 per cent to yield 11.30 per cent. However. yield 11:30 per cent. However. Ross and Parmers (Securities), a firm that specializes in trad-ing bonds during the offering

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Also under offer as a \$50m.

Also under offer as a \$50m, five-year note issue of Dade Savings and Loan Association. This is the first mortgage-backed issue in the Eurobond market and has been provisionally rated "AAA" by Standard and Poor's Corp. Managed by Kidder Peabody International, the issue carries a 11.5 per cent coupon. In premarker trading the offering was quoted at a discount from issue price of 2.00 bid, 1.63

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An early indication of the trading level, was about 97.7500 which raises the yield to 11.8 are not rated, some dealer judged it comparable to weak "A" credit. Aquitaine o Canada is 74.8 per cent owner by the French state oil company, Elf-Aquitaine, but the did . no

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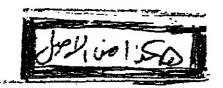
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Peter Merrick, managing for of Lowndes-Ajax Com-Service, is to resign in to form his own company March 31, 1980.

Drop in beef supply forecast for 1980 despite higher imports

Although a higher level of im-ports of beef and veal is expected next year, Britain's supplies could fall by as much as 4 per cent, mainly due to lower home production.

as 1 per cent, mainly due to lower home production.

This is forecast by the Meat and Livestock Commission in its latest United Kingdom market survey. The survey says that fat cattle prices should be fairly firm in 1980 due to the anticipated lower levels of supplies and devaluation of the plies and devaluation of the green pound should also tend to smengthen prices.

Steer and heifer slaughter-

ings in the last guarter of 1979 are estrected the retail about 745,000 head 2 per cent less than in October-December 1978. In 1979 as a whole, about 2.85 million steers and heifers are expected to be slaughtered, 150,000 less than in 1978. The feduced level of live cattle imports from the Irish Republic has been a contributory factor; in 1979 steer and

Republic has been a contribu-tory factor; in 1979 steer and heifer imports are expected to amount to only 160,000 head compared with more than 350,000 in 1978. Slaughterings of steers and heifers in 1980 are forecast to total about 2.69 million head, 160,000 less than the estimate

total about 2.69 million head, 160,000 less than the estimate for 1979. This reduction is consistent with lower numbers of other carde between one and two years of age recorded in the june 1979 census and also with the reduction in estimated calf births in 1978, says the survey.

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The forecast assumes that there is unlikely to be a further decline in cattle imports from the Irish Republic in 1980 and that there will be an increase in the rate of heifer replacement for the breeding herd in the second half of the year.

Assuming further cattle breeding herd expansion by 1981, it is most unlikely that steer and heifer slaughterings will be significantly higher than 1980 levels unless live cattle imports increase markedly. the survey.

The high level of cow slaughterings in the second half of 1979 means that the cattle breeding herd is continuing to decline, the survey says. Whereas the major decline in breeding cow numbers since 1975 has been in the beef cow herd, the main decline now appears to be in the dairy of 1970.

Dairy cow numbers in June, 1980, are now expected to total 1980, are now expected to total only 3.23m, about 50,000 less than in June, 1979, and at the lowest June level since 1976. Although beef cow numbers now appear to have virtually stabilized after four consecutive years of decline, there is no evidence yet of any beef herd expansion.

Commodities

Cow and bull slaughterings in 1979 as a whole are now, in 1979 as a whole are now, therefore, expected to amount to almost 1m head. This year has, in fact, seen the highest cow culling rate since 1975. On the assumption that the relatively high culling rate continues in the first half of 1980, cow and bull slaughterings could amount to about 960,000 in 1980 as a whole.

On this assumption, cow slaughterings in the first quarter of 1980 would be substantially higher than a year earlier, at about the same leyel in the second quarter and considerably less than a year earlier in the second half of the year Unless further breeding. year. Unless further breeding herd depletion occurs in 1981, cow and bull slaughterings are unlikely to be above 900,000.

Calf slaughterings in the year 1979 are now estimated at about 146,000 head, which is 11,000 less than in 1978. Total

of the previous 12 month's per-

British Sugar Corporation Is

continuing to spend heavily despite the uncertainties caused by the European Community's threat to cut back sugar ountes.

To complete its expansion and modernization programme BSC is to invest £30m in the cur-

rent year bringing its capital spending programme over the

Trading profits at Alex Lawrie Factors, one of the largest factoring groups in the UK, rose by a half to £1.5m in the year to last September. Courrolled by Lloyds and Scotlish and First National Bank

of Boston, Lawrie's client list

rose 23 per cept last year and the group is bopeful of con-mued growth in the current period with the opening of two more regional offices.

In the year to Sept 30, trading profits (before tax and extraordinary irems) of Deanson (Holdings) rose from £202,000 to £215,000. Turnover

of this group of printers and stationers rose from £3.73m to £4.8m. With earnings per share up from 7.9p to 8.24p, the gross dividend is being lifted from

Normand to raise

Bernard Sunley-

The formal document dealing with the agreed offer by Eagle Star Holdings for Bernard Sunley Investment Trust has been

Mr W. A. Shapland, a direc-

tor of Sunley, points out that Eagle's offer of 630p a share

is substantially greater than the market price of the shares be-fore the announcement that

talks had started and represents a discount on the net asset value

of 688p a share of about 8 per

cent. This compares favourably

with the discounts at which the share prices of other listed

property companies stand in re-lation to their net asset values.

Chrysler Corp. will close its car assembly plants in St Louis and Newark next week to bal-

ance stocks.

The St Louis plant will re-

main closed after the Christmas

holiday break, ending Jan. 2, until Jan. 21 to retool for the

addition of two-door compact production. The Newark plant

also will remain closed after the holiday break until Jan. 14

Chrysler closures

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Deanson pays

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Boost for Lawrie

BSC still spending

Taking account of the above slaughtering forecasts, beef and real production in 1979 is and veal production in 1979 is now expected to amount to abour 1.02m tonnes, I per cent lower than in 1978. However, whereas there is likely to be a reduction of about 38,000 tonnes in steer and heifer beef, about 30,000 tonnes more cow and bull beef is likely to be produced. In 1980 production is forecast to decline by more than 50,000 tonnes and a further small reduction now seems the most likely outcome seems the most likely outcome

The survey says that pork production in the final quarter of 1979 could be about 6 per cent more than in the same period of 1978 and production in 1979 as a whole is likely to amount to about 695,000 tonnes, 10 per cent more than last year. On the other hand bacon and ham production is forecast at 52,000 tonnes in October-December, 1979, 4 per cent less than for 1978. In 1979 as a whole production of bacon and ham could be about 3 per Pork supplies in 1980 could

be about 1 per cent higher than last year, with an in-creased level of imports offsetduced supplies. But bacon and ham supplies next year could be about 1 per cent lower than in 1979 as the slight increase in imports may not compensate for the expected lower level of

> Wallace Jackson Commodities Editor

anson looking ahead to expansion

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Emess goes for placing

Almost 40 per cent of the shares will be held by the directors. This will follow a re-verse takeover in which Era Ring Mill, a Lancashire textile spending programme over me past five years to £150m, and the group now has the capacity to produce 1.25 million tonnes of sugar. group whose quotation is cur-rently suspended, will acquire Firstsquare Management, chiefly because it spent Firstsquare Management, acquiring Lindustries, loans, around half of part short-term, have seen slightly from £42.4m Emess Lighting is scheduled to to Leave net debt at \$122m.

The profits forecast for the year ending June 30 1980 is at least £300,000. Group trading profits should amount to £320,000 and the board anticipates an interim dividend of at least £570.

least 3.57p gross and a final of Emess' turnover in the last five years has risen from £328,000 to £1.53m and pretax profits have increased from £28.000 to £227,000 in the same

Daejan Holdings-Freshwater

Two private companies within the Freshwater Group have purchased from Eagle Star Group its beneficial holding of 243m ordinary shares in Daejan Holdings (149 per cam) at 100p per share. Eagle Star Pension Fund will retain its holding of 65,000 Daejan shares. The purchasing companies are Tabard Property Investment and Henry Davies (Holborn) which will acquire 500,000 and 1.93m shares respectively. Mr B. S. E. Freshwater is beneficially interested in these acquisitions. in these acquisitions.

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Reporting higher interim results, the directors of Normand Electrical Holdings believe the year's figures will show a "reasonable increase" on 1978-79. Pre-tax profits rose by 29 per cent to £650,000 in the six months to September 1. The interim payment is being raised from 1.41p (adjusted) to 1.56p gross, and the board intends to increase the final by a similar amount. Specialist printing group,
Williams Lea has produced record results for the year to
September 30 1979. Sales are
up 22 per cent to £11.139m from
£9.11m and pre-tax profits have
surged by a commendable 24
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On the basis of these best ever figures the board is recommending a final dividend of

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to acquire Barber Oil means for 11.49p on the subdivided 5p to retool for added production the group.

Meanwhile, Hanson has total on the year to 17p. Over broken new ground in United the past few years the group, —A.P.—Dow Jones. which consists of 10 companies specialising in City and finan-cial princing services, has shown

substantial growth. In the last financial year pre-tax profits of £715,000 represented a doubling hits Burco Dean

The engineering strikes reduced Burco Dean's profits by an estimated £350,000 in the 12 months to September 30. Al though turnover was up from f27.8m to f28.5m, profits, pre-tax, fell from \$1.62m to £1.17m. The total dividend goes up from 6.19p to 7.14p gross. The re-covery from the dispute has been slow and this will depress profits in the current half-year,

Tokyo.—Massushira Electric Industrial Co., Japan's leading electric firm, has received an order from China for a colour television assembly plant with a production espacity of 150,000 units a year. Under the agreement, 14-inch colour tele-vision sets will be assembled at the plant, starting in the middle of 1981.—A.P.—Dow

SCOTTISH MET.
On Dec 19. Guardian Royal
Exchange bought 350,000 shares at
109p in Scottish Metropolitan
Property, making holding of
6.68m shares (16.94 per cent) and
Royal Insurance bought 350,000
shares at 109p, making holding of
5.93m shares (15.03 per cent).

J. F. NASH

Turnover for year to Aug 5, E10.79m (£8.78m). Profit, £358,000 (£497,000) after tax of £263,000 (£431,000). Dividend, 6.69p (3.84p).

WINSTON ESTATES Winston Estates has completed the first part of the agreement with A.C. Developments Northern, under which Winston acquires Pulde Lands and Rulidings, which Tylde Lands and Buildings, which owns the Thornton Shopping Centre, near Blackpool. Price:

S. W. WOOD
Sales for six months to endSeptember, £10.68m (£8.7m), Pretax profit, £199,000 (£154,000).

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Engineering dispute

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Yorkshire Chemicals confirms
that Crode International acquired
67,000 on Dec 5, making total of
1.75m shares (13.07 per cent). SCOTTISH ONTARIO

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JOHN SWAN & SONS Turnover for half-year to Oct 31, £368,200 (£394,100). Pre-tax profits, £89,000 (£160,600).

J. F. Nash Securities' offer for Reliant Motor accepted for 4,69m ordinary shares (80.6 per cent of those not already owned) and 85,413 preference (85.4 per cent). Offers remain open. HUNSLET (HOLDINGS)

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31 up from £3.12m to £3.4m.
Profit attributable, £19,100
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gross (unchanged).

58p cash a share. BEN WILLIAMS Turnover for half-year to June 30, £1.18m (£1.02m). Pre-tax profit, £20,000 (£29,000).

BELL & SIME Sales for half-year to October 31, £2.34m (£2.13m). Pre-tax profit, £119,000 (£84,000). Interhu payment, gross, raised from 1.3p to 2.5p to reduce disparity between

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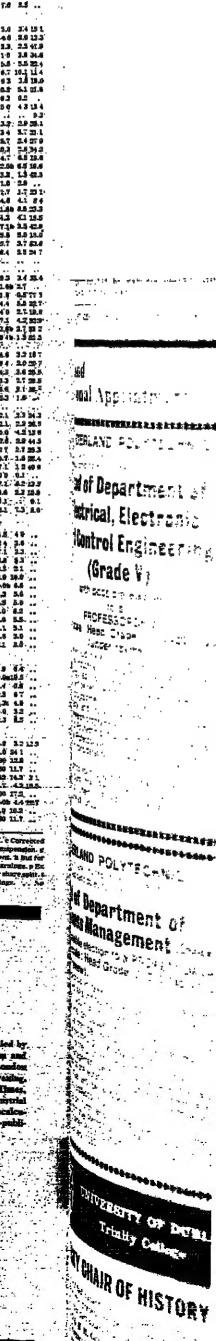
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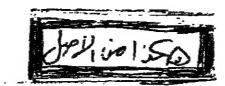
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Radio 4

6.00 am News Briefing.

8.35 The Week on 4. 8.45 BBC Sound Archives. 9.00 News.

6.30 Today. 7.90, 8.00 News. 7.30, 8.30 Headines.

0.05 Start the Week.

PERSONAL CHOICE

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mmy Edwards, Wilfrid Hyde White and Eric Sykes The Plank (ITV, 8.00)

What—yet another Panorama about Northern Ireland? The subled province is, indeed, the subject of half of tonight's ition (Rhodesia fills the other half), but its approach is sorthodox. It distils the results of reporter Philip Tibenham's ar around Ulster in the company of Gerry Philip Tibenham's the sport in the company of Gerry Philip Tibenham's around Ulster in the company of Gerry Philip Tibenham's fitter (Bitter) opposents, these two, right from the start of the troubles years ago. Yet now, both men believe that politicians should a together with Humphrey Atkins, the Secretary of State, and k about the province's future. Mr. Fitt has resigned from the k about the province's future. Mr Fitt has resigned from the LP because of its hostility to such talks, and Mr Craig is reatening to leave his Unionist Party for the same reason. Som ac today, the results will be announced of a Panorama poll in sich the people of Northern Ireland were questioned about air attitude to Mr Atkins's storm-tossed talks initiative. obtless tonight's l'anorame will assess the results.

The Plank was, as I recall, a moderately amusing short film, The Plank was, as I recall, a moderately amusing short-film, de for the cinema in the 1960s, which soaked up practically ery comedy actor and actress in Britain and was, thus, nething akin to an employment agency. What really set it art, though, from the rest of Britain's lamentable short films, s the fact that not a word of dialogue was spoken by anybody it. Sound effects and music apart, it was a silent movie. ic Sykes directed the film. He has now re-directed it, for evision. It is still speechless, still log-jammed with funny faces too numerous to itemise here, and still the story of hew a mk is moved from A to B with cataclysmic results.

Never one to underestimate the individual, let alone the nbined, strengths of the nation's women's institutes and wiswomen's guilds (indeed, it would take a brave, or foolish, in to do such a thing), I must tall you that tonight (Radio 2, 02) brings the final of the town and country quiz in which the endly rivals have been locked for many gruelling weeks.

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Broadcasting Guide

Edited by Peter Davalle

of the great panto clown Grimaldi.

TELEVISION

BBC 1

1.45 Fingerbobs: Rick Jones with the story of Seeds (r). Close down at 2.00. 3.15 Songs of Praise: repeat of

4.20 Touché Turde : carroon. Kat-A.20 Touche Turde: Eartoon. Aarnapped (r).
4.25 Jackanory: Spike Milligan
reads Ronnie and the Haunted
Rolls-Royce, by John Antrobus.
4.40 The Bear Who Stept Through Christmas: cartoon (r) 5.05 John Craven's Newsround: junior newsreel of interest to viewers of all ages. 5.10 Blue Peter: The life and times

11.00 am Play School: same as

2.05 pm Roadshow Info: repeat

showing of yesterday's programme

about the young people of Middles-

5.40 Laurei and Rardy: Their First Mistake." An adopted baby

comes into the Hardy household.

but Mrs Hardy has walked out, Oliver is seen in the unusual role of a mother. 6.00 Grange Bill: comprehensive school serial. Susi's examination wordes. Last episode text week.

6.25 A Diary of Britain: with the tourist invasion over, St David's,

9.30 am Cloppa' Castle: mediaeval

9.45 Fellx the Cat: very old car-

1000.
9.50 Richard Pearse: story of the New Zealand pioneer of powered flight. A dramatized documentary, 10.40 Return to Warhow (1957), Western about three fleeing convicts hunding for buried money. With Phil Carey, Catherine McLend.

11.45 Sword of Piece: the work of the Royal Navy. 11.55 The Bubblies: cartoon, The

Lost Cave. 12.00 Jamie and the Magic Torch

cattoon. Hellow, Goodbye.

12.10 pm Stepping Stones: stories, and ciat, about cats.

12.30 The Sullivans: Australian family dramas set during the second World War.

1.90 News: with Peter Sissons. 1:20 Thames News: with Robin Houston.

1.30 The Show Least Likely To ... David Kernan explains

THAMES

1, 3.55. Close down at 11.25.

told by Christopher Wenner. We also see a costume actually worn by Grimaldi. 5.46 News. 5.55 Nationwide, with Glyn Worsnip's do-it-yourself feature.
6.55 Angels: final episode. How
true are those rumours about the
closure of the casualty department?

the story involving the wealthy jet-setter (Lauren Bacall) whose life may be in peril. James Garner is the intrepid private detective. 8.10 Panorama: Two items—North-ern Ireland and Rhodesia (see Per-sonal Choice). 9.00 News: with Richard Baker. 5.05 News, with kitcher Bringers: repeat showing of the Christmassy epi-sode in this comedy series about a married couple (Diane Keen, Mar-tin Jarvis). It's the one about the parents who have—or maybe have not—been invited to lunch.

the Pembrokeshire beauty spot, reverts to its normal pace of life and prepares for Christmes.
7.10 News: with sub-thiles for the

Salad Days. 2.00 Heart to Heart: Tom Crab-

2.00 fleart to Heart: Tom Crabtree, an educational psychologist, talks to Colin Morris about Children's problems.
2.30 Film: Exo-Man (1977). Television movie about a paralysed professor who invents a suit that restores mobility to him. With David Ackroyd, Jose Ferrer.
4.15 Clapperboard: Christ Kelly reviews some Christmas films including The Black Hole and Tales from a Flying Trunk.
4.45 Rainbow Christmas Show: fancy dress party, with carols, And

4.48 Rambow Christmas Show; fancy dress party, with carols. And a visit to Father Christmas.
5.15 Money-Go-Round: The computer that helps you to choose your Christmas gift. And the story of the burnt Christmas cakes.
5.45 News. 6.09 Thames News.

6.35 Crossroads: motel serial.
7.00 Give Us a Clue: charades, conducted by Michael Aspel.

Ancient party game, enthusiasti-cally revived.
7.30 Coronation Street: Trouble over the newly-weds' bed.

10.00 International Show Jumping: the Radio Rentals Grand Prix and the Norwich Union Fancy Dress Relay, from Olympia. At stake is \$10,000 in prize money.

11.00 Film 79: Barry Norman previews some of the Christmas films, including The Black Hole, Star Trek—the Motion Picture and Apocalypse Now, the new Francis Ford Coppola film about Vietnam.

11.30 Roadshow Disco: young un-10.00 News, 11.05 Byron: The Lunatic, Lover and the Poet.
11.50 Letters from Everywhere. 2.00 News. 11.36 Roadshow Disco: young un-employed people from the Mid-dlesbrough area are taken out in a trawler to do some fishing. Also, an item on cycling and the disco band Central Line. 11.55 News and weather. 40 The Archers 2.00 News. 2.02 Yoman's Hour. 3.00 News. 3.02 Listen with Mother. 3.15 Play: Burglar's Bargains.†
4.45 Story: Food for Thought.
5.00 PM.
5.35 Weather.
6.00 News.
6.30 Comedy: Give or Take.†

BRC 1 VARIATIONS: WALES: 1.45 pm Pill Pala 5.55 Wales Today 6.55 Hed-diw. 7.15 Angels. 7.40 Are You Being Served 11.55 News and weather. SCOTLAND: 12.40 pm News. 5.55 Recording Scotland 11.55 News and weather Hortheam Inglands 1.50 hm News. 5.55 Scene Around Six. 11.55 pm Reylonal magazines, 12.00 lose.

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7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.,
7.20 Science Now.
7.45 Play: An Inspector Calls.;
9.35 Popular keyboard music.;
9.30 Kaleidoscope.

aylor. .0.30 The Light of Experience: An

Imoral Tale. The story of an ex-guards officer and falled diplomat who gave up his erratic careers took an interest in the work of

7.10 News: with sub-titles for the hard of hearing.
7.20 Reputations: A reassessment of Trousky's character, career and ideas, by Alec Nove, Professor of Economics at Glasgow University. Also taking part, Trousky's grandson E. H. Carr.
8.10 Juliet Prowse: The Sonth-African born dancer is seen in the spectacular show recorded at Las Vegas. Her eight-man chorus line were highly praised for their enertook an interest in the work of Jung and became a psychoanalyst. Now, he is beginning to have doubts about that decision.

10.45 News and weather.

11.00 Barbara Thompson's Pataphernalia: The British jazz player and her band, which includes her husband, the drummer Jon Hiseman. Filmed at this year's Bracknel! lazz Festival. Vegas. Her eight-man chorus line were highly praised for their ener-genc routines.

9.00 Horizon: a look back at the scientific and natural ups and dawas of the past decade—Con-corde, silicon chips, pocket calcu-

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Powers in the 20th Century. nell Jazz Festival. 11.48 Close down: Elizabeth Bishop's poem One Art is read by David Markham (r).

the success of the stage musical Salad Daya.

2.00 Heart to Heart: Tom Crabtee, an educational psychologist, talks to Colin Morris about Children's problems.

2.30 Film: Exo-Man (1977). Television movie about a paralysed professor who invents a suit that restores mobility to him. With David.

3.00 The Plank: Eric Sykes directs this new version of the old short film originally made for the cinema. All about the problems of getting a plank from the builder's yard to the building site. No dialogue—but many famous comedy stars in miniscule roles (see Personal Choice). 8.30 Year of the Child: Family life, Channel at last, for a mine-year-old Colom-bian girl, handleapped and abau-doned at a very early age. 9.00 Minder: Come In T-64. Your Time is Ticking Away: Denois Waterman's task this week is to find out why a minicab firm is being subjected to so much vio-

Granada 10.30 Film: Butterflies are Free (1972). Romantic comedy, with Goldie Hawn as the girl who helps an over-mothered man (Edward Albert) to find independence.

12.30 am Close: Reading from Through the Year with J. B. Philips: The reader is Andrew Cruikmank.

As Themes except: 2.20 am Young Ramsey. 10.20 Dynamid: the Dog Wonder. 10.45 Unbroken Tradution. 11.10 Prosty the Snowman. 11.25 Paner Lade. 1.20 am Calendar News. 2.20 Film: Three Men in a Roat. 8.00 Calendar, 10.30 Pro-Celebrity Snooker. 11.15 Calendar Into the 802. 11.45 WAVELENGTHS: Radio 1 medium wave 275m/1089kHz or 285m/1053kHz, Radio 2 med wave 330/909kHz or 433m/693kHz and 84-91 VHF. Radio 3 med wave 247m/1215kHz and 90-92.5 VHF. Radio 4 long wave 1500m/200kHz and 92-95 VHF. Greater London area only; med wave 720kHz/417m. LBC 251m, 97.3 VHF. Capital 194m, 95.8 VHF. World Service: med wave 648kHz (46.3m). BBC Radio London 206m, 94.9 VHF.

Tyne Tees

Scottish

Jimmy Young.† 12.15 pm Wag-goners' Walk. 12.30 Derek Hob-son.† 2.15 David Hamilton.† 4.15 Much More Music.† 5.90 News, 5.05 Waggoners' Walk. 5.20 John Dunn.† 6.45 Sports Desk. 7.02 Music from the Movies.† 7.30 Alan Dell.† 9.02 Humphrey Lyttelton.† 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.02 Town and Country Oniz 10.30 Star Sound. Country Quiz. 10.30 Star Sound. 17.05 Brian Matthew. 2.02 am-5.00

You and the Night and the Music. + Radio 1 5.00 am As Radio 2, 6.00 Dave Lee Travis, 9.00 Simon Bates, 11.31 Paul Burnett, 2.00 Andy Peobles, 4.31 Kid Jensen, 7.00 Sasyn' Alive, 8.00 Mike Read, 9.59 Newsbeat, 10.00 John Peel, 12.00-5.00 am As Radio 7

11.05 in Short.
11.15 String quartet: Schumann (op 4) No 2).†
11.45 BBC Scottish SO Rattle: 11.45 BBC Scoush SO, Rattle: Sibelius, Ireland (Pno Conc), Pou-1.00 pm News, 1.05 Piano duets (live from St John's): Mozari, Mendelssohn, WHE RADIOS 1 AND 2: 5.00 am With Radio 2, 10.00 pm With Radio1, 12.00-5.00 am With Radio John's): Mozert, Mendelssohn, Ravel, Dvorak.†
2.00 Organ: Tromboncino Frescobaldi Merula, Pachelbel, Ruppe.†
2.35 Matinee Musicale.†
2.35 Records: Doulzetti, Wulf, Liszt. Rachmaminov (Sym 1).†
5.25 Homeward Bound.†
5.45 News.
5.50 Homeward Bound.†
6.15 At Home: Schumann.† World Service

6.15 At Home: Schumann.† 7.10 Satie (Sports and Diver-7.30 Bavarian Radio SO/Zender flive from Munich): Lassus Huber (Soliloquia Sancti Aurelli Augus-8.25 Poetry Now. 8.45 BRSO: Lassus, Huber (Solito-

RADIO

7.00 News.
7.05 BBC Concert Orch/Newstone: Mendelssohn, Copland, Prokofiev

8.00 News. 8.05 BBCCO: Weber, Mosart (Sym

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9.05 J. C. Bach (Incl Syms in E flat

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9.50 Singer's Choice: Tauber
10.20 String quartets: |
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6.55 am Weather.

Radio 2

8.45 BRSO: Lassus, number (Sonito-quia, part III.† 9.30 The Pope's Diversions: ques-tions to Catholic churchmen. 10.30 Barbirolli conducts; Debussy. Vaughan Williams (Sym 8).; 11.25 Jazz in Britain.; 11.55-12.00 News.

5,00 am News, weather. 5.03 Steve jones.† 7.32 Ray Moore.† 10.03

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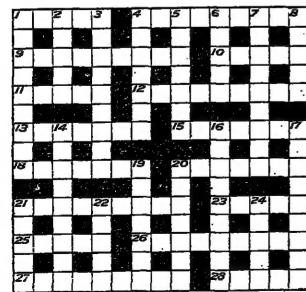
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10 Persevering type of judge? (5). 11 Some shy theologian from a Kent resort (5).

12 Meeting appears to dispose of late opinion 19).

13 That mire boss in the bowler? (7). 15 Cars wrecked by Capone's rogues (7). 18 " Irrecoverably dark, total
——" (Milton) (7).
20 Irren politician gives piano

and in the dance (9).

23 Might be caught going to 24 Tickle Clio, perhaps (5).

explosives ? (5). 25 Fish with lines badly joined Solution of Puzzle No 15,099

downs (6, 3).

1 Many an imprecation not all find detestable (9).
2 Call for doodlebugs, it appears (5).
3 End of investment plan shows country's ups and downs (6, 3).

4 Language is one four much of France (7). 5 Petrol-consuming 6 Animal Beatrix beheaded 7 Remove main difference

among the best people (9). 8 Pay for James's Turner? (5).

14 For example, a way to take in the for the plant (9).

16 Reacts to irritation, seeing Tom's marks (9). 17 Wood's smashing results?

19). 19 Clergyman turns up in school football team (7). 18 " Irrecoverably dark, total

" (Milton) (7).
20 Irish politician gives piano
to composer—£2 (7).
21 Speams robber on the road,
22 The lowest deck—or dock

25 Fish with lines badly joined (5).
26 Perhaps a local side he outmanoeuvred (4, 5).
27 Lamenting being on board?
Rubbish! (9).
28 Locks for certain Indiaus, say (5).

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